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Arrivals.

Apr. 27, AMAZONE, North Ger. bk., 213, T. Beleseldt, Tamsui 19th April, Medicine.—EL. SCHELLHASS & Co.

Apr. 27, NIL DESPERANDUM, Brit. bg., 157, Turner, Newcastle, (N.S.W.) 7th March, Coals.—ORDER.

Apr. 28, VADRAS, Span. str., 500, Arofra y Garcia, Manila 23rd April, Mails.—SPANISH CONSUL.

Apr. 28, IMPERATRICE, French str., 1,548, Marcaire, Suez 28th March, Aden 4th April, Galle 12th, and Singapore 20th, General.—MESSAGERIES IMPERIALES.

Departures.

Apr. 27, FUNG-SHUEY, str., for Manila.
Apr. 27, UNITED SERVICE, str., for Shanghai.
Apr. 27, LA SESINA, for Takao.
Apr. 27, EDOUARD & MARY, for Saigon.
Apr. 27, SAN LORENZO, for Manila.
Apr. 27, NETTIE MERRYMAN, for Shanghai.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, APRIL 27TH.

Albatros, for Saigon.
Yang-tsze, for Saigon.

Passengers.

Per *Vadros*, from Manila,—4 passengers.

Per *Amazone*, from Tamsui,—1 Chinese.

Per *Imperatrice*, str., from Suez, &c.,—*For Hongkong.*

From Marseilles.—Mrs. Stanley Delbart, Messrs. Bamon, Cassanus, Obach, Gilabert, Rimond, Galibardua, Corno, Oulam, 9 Canalds, The Baron Morlat, Messrs. Yarchi, Guillermin, Pritzach, Vahldien, Mrs. Mullich, Mr. Annekee and child, Mrs. Minaco, Escalera, Herrera, Clemente, Mr. and Mrs. Valdie and child, Messrs. Herrera, Lorano, Solano, Ocon, Tagore.

From Singapore.—4 Chinese.

From Saigon.—Messrs. Parker, Rivault, Mrs Shannon, and 1 Chinese.

For Yokohama.

From Saigon.—Capt. Crôzat, Lieut. Thomas, 9 Sub. Officers, and 98 men, French Infantry, 4 Spahis.

Reports.

None.

Auction Sales To-day.

MORRIS & Co.
Sundries, Household Furniture, &c.

LOST, on Friday evening, between the Hollywood Road and East Point, a small Gold LOCKET, containing two Photographs, any person having found the same, and will bring it to the *Daily Press* Office, will be suitably rewarded.
tf 724 Hongkong, 12th April, 1869.

POETRAITS.

MR. J. THOMSON begs to intimate that as his rooms are being repaired and improved, they will be closed for portraits from this date to May 10th.
Commercial Bank Buildings,
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1869. [tf 814

NOTICE.

MR. CHAS. STOREY having returned from Japan, has re-established himself here on his own account, as Architect, Surveyor, and Civil Engineer. Office No. 3, *Pedder's Hill.*
tf 534 Hongkong, 15th March, 1869.

FOR SALE.

THE Italian Clipper ship "*TELESA*," of 1,222 Tons Register, now lying at the Inner Harbour, of Macao.

For particulars, apply to Messrs. J. J. DOS REMEDIOS & Co., Hongkong, or to the Undersigned, Macao.

M. A. DOS REMEDIOS.
1m 797 Macao, 19th April, 1869.

FOR SALE.

BILLIARD Meerschaum PIPES.
Fancy Do. Do.
Charcoal Do. Do.
Briarwood Do. Do.
And.
Sealskin Tobacco POUCHES and Cigar CASES.

THOS. HUNT & Co.
7d. 801 Hongkong, 21st April, 1869.

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.—On and after the 1st of March next, the office of this Company situated over the Hongkong Dispensary will be closed.

Letters can, however, be left at heretofore, in a box placed for the purpose within the same building.

The Company's Stock of Chandeliers and other fittings will, after above date, be on view at the premises of Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., *Queen's Road.*

A. NEWTON,
Manager.
3m 270 Hongkong, 19th February, 1869.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

THE management of the HONGKONG HOTEL has this day been placed in the hands of Mr. GEORGE E. POTTS, to whom all communications on the business of the Hotel should be addressed.

YEE-WO & Co.
tf 685 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

THE Lease of the HONGKONG HOTEL having this day been transferred to me, the interest and responsibility of LEE-A-FONG ceases. The business as before will be carried on under the name of YEE-WO & Co.

CHUN-CHAN,
Lessee.
tf 686 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. C. LANGDON DAVIES having resigned, Mr. EDWARD BAKER has been appointed Secretary of the above Company from this date.
tf 610 Hongkong, 31st March, 1869.

LEONARD BARNES,
GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKER,
(By appointment).

Funerals entrusted to his care will be properly and economically conducted.

Head Stones cut and erected.

Spring Gardens,
Opposite Messrs. Bull, Purdon & Co.
tf 755 Hongkong, 15th April, 1869.

COALS AT YLOILO.

LONEY & Co., Yloilo, have on hand a quantity of Australian Steam COALS, which they can supply on short notice, and at reasonable prices.
3m 587 Hongkong, 23rd March, 1869.

NOTICE.

MESSRS. WATCHELS, GROOS & Co., of Nagasaki, have been appointed Agents for Japan for the *Daily Press, Overland Trade Report, Straits Times Extra*, and all other publications issued from this Office, and residents in Japan will please make application to them *Daily Press* Office, July, 1868.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—5,000,000 of Dollars.

Court of Directors.—
Chairman—GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—JULIUS MEYER, Esq.
George J. Holland, Esq. — A. John Scott, Esq.
William Lemuan, Esq. — J. P. Duncanson, Esq.
W. H. Forbes, Esq. — Richard Rowett, Esq.
S. D. Sassoon, Esq. — E. R. Belilios, Esq.
Hon'ble. J. S. Taylor.

Managers.—
Hongkong—Victor Kresser, Esq., Chief Manager.
Shanghai—David McLean, Esq.
London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months' 2 per cent. per annum
6 " 3 " "
12 " 5 " "
LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits—granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts—granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
VICTOR KRESSER, *Chief Manager.*
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.
3d 30821

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.
CAPITAL PAID-UP £750,000.
With power to increase to £1,500,000.
Reserve Fund, £145,902 14s. 8d.
Head-Office—No. 65, Old Broad Street, London, E.C.
COURT OF DIRECTORS.
George Garden Nicol, Esq.—*Chairman.*
Donald Larnack, Esq.
George May, Esq.
Sir Frederick J. Halliday.
James M. Robertson, Esq.
Ellis James Gillman, Esq.
David Trail Robertson, Esq.—*Chief-Manager.*
LONDON BANKERS.
Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank.
SOLICITORS.
Messrs. Clarke, Sons, & Rawlins, Coleman St.
AUDITORS.
Messrs. Coleman, Turquand, Youngs & Co.
Public Accountants.
J. Smith, Esq., of Messrs. W. Nicol & Co., Bombay.
James Joseph Mackenzie, Esq., late of Messrs. Dent & Co., China.
Branches and Agencies.
Bombay.
Calcutta.
Madras.
Ceylon { Colombo. Kandy. Galle.
Singapore.
Penang.
Foochow.
Shanghai.
Yokohama.
Hankow.
Mauritius.
Saigon.
Batavia.
EDINBURGH DEPOSIT AGENCY.
128, George Street.
CHARLES PEARSON, Esq., C.A.—Agent.
HONGKONG BRANCH.
Current deposits.—Accounts are kept on which no interest is allowed and no charge made for collecting Bills, Cheques, &c.
Fixed Deposits.—Are received viz:—
Repayable at 12 months .....6% per annum.
" at 6 ..... 5% per annum.
The Bank discounts Local Bills, and Notes payable in Hongkong having at least two approved names unconnected in general partnership, and makes advances on approved Banking Securities.
Exchange.
The Bank issues drafts on its Branches, and on the London Joint Stock Bank at four months' sight, also on its Branches above, and Agents in Scotland, Ireland, Melbourne, Sydney and Towns in Australia, New Zealand, &c., and grants Circular Notes for the use of travellers negotiable in all Towns of importance throughout the world.
Bills payable in Europe or in any of the above mentioned places are purchased or remitted for collection.
Further information as to the rules of business may be obtained at the office, or on application by letter to the Manager.
Office hours—10 to 3. Saturday 10 to 1.
WILLIAM JACKSON, *Manager.*
2, Queen's Road, 24th July, 1867.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS
Incorporated by National Decrees of 7th and 8th May, 1848, and by Imperial Decrees of 25th July, 1854, and 31st December, 1866.
RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.
PAID-UP CAPITAL,
France 80,000,000.—£3,200,000.
RESERVED FUND.—
France 20,000,000.—£800,000.
LONDON BANKERS—
UNION BANK OF LONDON.
HEAD OFFICE: 14, RUE BERGERE, PARIS.
AGENCIES AT LONDON, NAPLES, LYONS, BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, SAIGON, SAINT DENIS, (ILE DE LA REUNION,) AND YOKOHAMA.
HONGKONG AGENCY.
THIS BANK issues Drafts on its Paris Head Office, on the UNION BANK OF LONDON, and on its Agencies in London, Bombay, Calcutta, Shanghai, Bourbon, Saigon, and Yokohama, and on the principal places of Commerce on the Continent of Europe, India, America, China, Australia, &c.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS are kept, upon which no Commission is charged, and no Interest allowed.
BILLS on Europe, India, America, Australia, &c., &c., are purchased or remitted for collection.
LOCAL BILLS discounted, and LOANS granted on Merchandize, &c., &c.
LETTERS OF CREDIT issued, available for the purchase of Merchandize in all parts of the World, on terms to be ascertained on application to the Manager.
E. DELBANCO,
Manager.
Offices in Hongkong:—
BANK BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, December, 1868. [700

MEDICAL.—A Gentleman, aged 38, M.D. and F.R.C.S., now Conducting a Practice as *Locum Tenens* of £3,000 a year in the East, is anxious for a similar engagement next June. Terms, £1,000 per annum with board. Address, D. M., *Daily Press* Office.
tf 3199 Hongkong, 24th November, 1868.

GREAT REDUCTION.
Closing of Business.

THE Undersigned, who is closing his business in May next, begs most respectfully to offer to the public his large selection of Photographic art the following low rates, an opportunity that should not be lost; patrons wishing to have copies from their negatives can have them at greatly reduced rates.
Views in set of 50 each $20.00
Views in 1 set of 25 each 12.50
W. P. FLOYD.
tf 556 Hongkong, 19th March, 1869.

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the year ending on 31st December last, at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum, say $7.50 per paid-up Share of $125, and $1.50 per Share on which $25 have been paid, is payable on and after MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.
By order of the Court of Directors,
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.
tf 358 Hongkong, 15th February, 1869.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the unpaid Capital of, One Hundred Dollars per share, on the 20,000 New Shares of the Corporation's Stock, will fall due on the dates following, viz:—
On 1st July, 1869, ...$25
1st July, 1870, ... 25
1st January, 1872, ... 25
1st January, 1873, ... 25
$100
Shareholders electing to pay the whole or any portion of the above calls by anticipation, will receive interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, payable half yearly, until the respective dates at which the calls shall fall due, and receipts for such payments will be issued at the Head Office and Branches.
By order of the Court of Directors,
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.
tf 147 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between Messrs. A. MULLER and C. H. CLAUSSEN, will be dissolved by mutual consent on the 15th May next, they therefore offer the whole of their valuable stock, consisting chiefly of goods lately arrived, at rates to secure immediate clearance.

The STOCK consists of PIECE GOODS, Ready-made CLOTHING, HOSIERY, HATS, SHIRTS, BOOTS, &c., &c.

Must positively be cleared by the above date.

MULLER & CLAUSSEN,
Queen's Road.
tf 543 Hongkong, 17th March, 1869.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

FANCY DOESKINS, ANGOLAS, and FLANNELS.
Black MERINO.
White DUCK and DRILL.
Overland TRUNKS, &c.
Travelling BAGS.
Dressing GOWNS.
MATS and RUGS.
Dawson's BOOTS.
The whole offered at cost price, in consequence of closing on 15th May.
MULLER & CLAUSSEN.
tf 785 Hongkong, 19th April, 1869.

NOTICE.

AS the business of Messrs. MULLER & CLAUSSEN will be closed on 15th May, all persons having Claims against them must present the same before that date, and all accounts due to them must be paid immediately.
443 657: Hongkong, 2nd April, 1869.

COACH BUILDING.

LEONARD BARNES, Coach Builder and Wheelwright (late Wheelwright to H.M. Royal Carriage Factories), will undertake to make and repair all kinds of carriages.
N.B.—All work entrusted to his care will be neatly done, and executed upon the shortest notice.
Spring Gardens,
Opposite Messrs. Bull, Purdon & Co.
tf 756 Hongkong, 15th April, 1869.

NOTICE.

DICK'S L'EXTINCTEUR, OR PATENT PORTABLE SELF-ACTING FIRE ENGINES.

THE Undersigned having been favoured by the Agents in Hongkong with the sale of these Invaluable Machines, begs to invite Public attention to them as a remedial in the event of Fire. An experimental trial will be made, under the observation of the Officers of the Fire Brigade, of which the Public will have due notice.
ANDREW MILLAR,
1, *Queen's Road East, and Hillier Lane.*
tf 416 Hongkong, 27th February, 1869.

JOHN TAYLOR & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN PHOTOGRAPH AMBROTYPE MATERIALS AND CHEMICALS.

We have the largest Stock of these Goods on the Pacific Coast, and our facilities are such that we can sell at very *low prices.*

Orders from abroad will have special attention, and packed with care for Shipment.

512 & 514, WASHINGTON STREET,
1m] SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. [786

HONGKONG INSURANCE COMPANY. 1868.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company, are prepared to issue Marine Policies on the usual terms to the extent of £10,000, on any first class risk.
A. G. HOGG & Co.
tf 538 Hongkong, 17th March, 1869.

NOTICE.

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month 1/4 of the annual rate.
Above 1 month but not exceeding ..... 3 " 1/4 do. do.
Above 3 months but not exceeding ..... 6 " 1/2 do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.
A. G. HOGG & Co.,
Agents Sun Fire Office.
tf 676 Hongkong, 9th June, 1868.

HAMBURG BREMEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are now authorized to accept assurances against Fire at Hongkong, and at any of the open ports in China, to the increased amount of £60,000 on one Risk.
WM. PUSTAU & Co., *Agents.*
tf 2105 Hongkong, 7th November, 1868.

NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the Estate of the late ROBERT HENRY GRANT, lately a Clerk in the Naval Yard, Hongkong, are requested to make payment, and all persons having Claims against the said Estate are notified to send in their Claims to the undersigned without delay.
JNO. J. FRANCIS,
Solicitor for
JOHN D. MACDONALD THOMPSON,
Executor.
1m 745 Hongkong, 3rd April, A.D., 1869.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MORRIS & Co. will sell at their General Auction,

THIS DAY,
28th April, 1869, at 12 o'clock Noon,—
The undermentioned Articles:—
Corn STARCH, Paint OIL, American BUTTER, TOBACCO, CIGARS, BISCUITS, HAMS, KEROSINE, Kerosine LAMPS, Bass's BEER, Allsopp's BEER, Geneva GIN, OLD TOM, Cherry CORDIAL, SOCKS, HANDKERCHIEFS, Mosquito NET, Window CURTAINS, MATTING, Table COVERS, RUGS, Linen SHEETS, TUMBLERS, PRESERVES, Neck TIES, Paper COLLARS, PERFUMERY, BRANDY, BOOTS.
Also,
Sundry HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising: Spring SOFA, Spring CHAIRS, Arm CHAIRS, WHAT NOT, ORGAN, Iron BEDSTEADS, Wooden BEDSTEADS, &c.
A 6-oared GIG,
And Sundry other GOODS too numerous to mention.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
834 Hongkong, 26th April, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,
the 29th April, 1869, at 12 o'clock,
At his Sales Room,
"COMMERCIAL BANK BUILDINGS,"—
5 Cases, each 50 dozen, Linen HANDKERCHIEFS,
40 Pieces Summer TWEEDS,
50 " Printed CALICO,
10 Boxes, each 4 dozen, Assorted PENCIL CASES,
75 Dozen Assorted Wooden PIPES,
30 " " BON BONS,
2 " Carriage WHIPS,
7 Mille Revolver CARTRIDGES, No. 30/100,
2 Cases MUSKETS,
10 Mille Pistol CARTRIDGES,
3 Handsome Fire GRATES,
5 Cruet STANDS,
30 Bbls. Coal TAR,
40 Kerosine LAMPS,
10 Dozen Lamp CHIMNEYS,
Sheet Rubber PACKING, ⅛, ¼, ½ and 1 inch,
Copper TACKS, ⅜, ½ and 1 inch,
Carpet TACKS, ⅜ and 10 oz.,
Deck LIGHTS, Round and Square,
Patent double Deck scrub BRUSHES, Single scrub BRUSHES, Shoe, Paint, Horse, Tube, and Whitewash BRUSHES,
An Invoice of French LAMPS and FLUID, (Lamparas De Gas Mills),
Flat, Round, and 4 Round FILES, assorted Sizes, FOOLSCAP MIRRORS, TELESCOPES, Sun GLASSES, Musical BOXES, Work BOXES, &c., &c.
A quantity of Household and Office FURNITURE.
And,
By order of the Official Administrator, Sundry EFFECTS, belonging to the Estates of the late Capt. Andrew Fuge and James Simpson, viz:—
A Silver WATCH and Gold CHAIN, 1 Opera GLASS, 1 REVOLVER, in Case, 1 Dressing CASE, and Sundry Personal EFFECTS.
Office furniture will be sold at 1 p.m.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
842 Hongkong, 28th April, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, *Queen's Road,* on

FRIDAY,
the 30th instant, at noon,—
An Invoice PLATED WARE, comprising Dish COVERS, Pickle and Cruet FRAMES, Liquor STANDS, Salt STANDS, Toast RACKS, Tea SERVICES, Cake BASKETS, &c., &c.
Cash BOXES, Riding WHIPS, Key RINGS, Wire Dish COVERS, Writing DESKS.
100 Kegs White LEAD,
40 Kegs White ZINC,
100 Drums PAINT OIL,
10 Drums TURPENTINE,
14 Tierces really good Salt BEEF,
180 lbs. Boiled MUTTON, in 6 lbs. Tins,
360 " " BEEF, in 6 lbs. Tins,
50 Cases Dr. Townsend's SARSAPARILLA *Genuine,* 100 Cases Swaine Board's Old TOM,
50 Cases BRANDY, Holland's GIN, Sherry CORDIAL, &c., &c.
HOSIERY, 20 Pairs Dawson's BOOTS, Pocket HANDKERCHIEFS, SOAP, &c., &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk upon fall of the hammer.
843 Hongkong, 28th April, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, at his Sales Rooms, Commercial Bank Buildings, on

FRIDAY,
the 30th April, 1869, at 2.30 P.M.,
An Invoice of Really Superior WINES, (Just Landed) comprising:—
10 Cases, each 1 dozen, Chiquot's Grand Vin de CHAMPAGNE,
5 " each 1 dozen, Rudesheimer HINTERHAUS,
5 " each 1 dozen, Johannisberg CABINET,
20 " each 1 dozen, Steinwein BOXBEUTEL,
30 " each 1 dozen, F. W. Cosen's Superior RUBERY.
Also,
15 Cases Assorted LIQUEURS (very fine), each case contains:—
1 Bottle, each Crème De MOKA,
" D'ANANAS,
" De NOYAU,
" De CACAO,
" De VANILLE,
" De CREOLE,
" De GINGEMBIC,
" De CANELLE,
" Fine ORANGE,
" MIROBOLANTY,
" BAUME HUMAIN,
" CURACOAO.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
823 Hongkong, 24th April, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Property at Foochow, known as DENT & Co.'s, will be offered for sale by Public Auction in June next, unless previously disposed of by Private Contract.

The Property consists of
DWELLING HOUSE,
containing 8 Rooms and Bath Rooms, with Servants' Offices and Stables detached, the whole surrounded by a Garden.

This House is let on a short Lease at $150 per month.

OFFICE AND GODOWNS.

A House containing 4 Offices and spacious Tea Room, with fire-proof Godowns, large Treasury, and Compradore's Rooms below, Servants' Offices, &c., detached.

Three large GODOWNS A, B, and C, adjoining the above.

This Property has water frontage, is situated in the most eligible portion of the business quarter of Foochow, and is let on a Repairing Lease for 3 years, commencing from the 1st May next, at the annual rental of $4,000.

For further particulars apply at the Office of the Trustees, No. 7, *Pedder's Hill.*
5m 253 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1869.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,
the 29th inst., at noon,
At the Godowns of Messrs. JOHN BURD & Co.,
S C
B (in heart) 236/245, 1,110 Cases WHITE SHIRTINGS,
Ex "Mikado."
All more or less Mildewed.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
C. D. BOTTOMLEY,
Auctioneer.
838 Hongkong, 27th April, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 30th day of April, 1869, at noon,
on the Premises,
By order of the Mortgagee, under the power of sale contained in the Deed of Mortgage,—
All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate at Jardine's Bazaar, registered in the Land Office as Section X of Inland Lot No. 369, together with the Seven Houses erected thereon, all tenanted.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed of transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the Purchaser. The Property to be at the risk of the Purchaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
792 Hongkong, 20th April, 1869.

FOR SALE.

THE following properties, belonging to the Estate of DENT & Co.:—

AT HANKOW.

The property at present occupied by Messrs. EVANS & RAINBOW, consisting of a DWELLING HOUSE, with Servants' OFFICES, and STABLES, and three GODOWNS, each 150 feet by 60.

The situation of this property, outside the British Concession, its River frontage of 320 feet, and extensive Godown accommodation, makes it one of the most valuable at Hankow, especially for Steamboat purposes.

AT KIUKIANG.

Four lots on the British Concession, with a frontage of 232 feet on the River Bund. The buildings consist of a DWELLING HOUSE, with Servants' OFFICES, and two GODOWNS, 100 feet by 50, and 105 feet by 66, on the front lots, and of a GODOWN, 155 feet by 66 feet, on the back lot.

For further Particulars, apply
At the Office of the Trustees,
No. 7, Pedder's Hill.
Or to H. P. HANSSEN,
Shanghai.
1434 716 Hongkong, 12th April, 1869.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE.

SHARES Nos. 71, 72, 73, (the Premia contributed on *each* share being $3,443), have been placed in the hands of the Directors *For Sale*, Sealed tenders for purchase of same, marked "Tender for Shares No. " will be received until the 10th May, 1869.
By order of the Board,
ROBERT WATMORE,
Secretary.
15d 827 Hongkong, 26th April, 1869.

SEALED TENDERS, marked on the outside "Tenders for Helmets," will be received until noon on SATURDAY, the 1st Proximo, for the supply of 140 Helmets, with Red Puggaries, to be delivered at the Military Store Department, Hongkong.

A Size Roll can be seen, and any further information obtained at the Commissariat Office.
REDMOND UNTACKE,
Dep. Commissary General,
Controller's Office, Commissariat,
Hongkong, 24th April, 1869. [83 820

NOTICE.

SELLING OFF AT COST PRICE, FOR ONE MONTH ONLY.

THE Undersigned, beg respectfully to call the attention of Shipmasters, and the Public in general, to the notice that they are selling off the remainder of their Stock at

COST PRICE,
FOR
ONE MONTH ONLY,
and that they have a large assortment of Goods, particularly Rope, Canvas, Stoves, Scales, Packing, Tobacco, Sauces, Cheese, and sundry other Articles.
THOS. HUNT & Co.
tf 781 Hongkong, 19th April, 1869.

CARRIAGE MANUFACTORY.

J. B. BUTCHER begs respectfully to inform the Inhabitants of Hongkong, that he has just received a larger consignment of CARRIAGE MATERIALS, PAINTS, VARNISH, &c.
than has ever been introduced into Hongkong. He is now prepared to build to order, or repair, Carriages of any description, on very low terms, having received cloth, leather, paints, varnish and every other requisite, especially
CARRIAGE TRIMMINGS, LACE, &c., &c.
Amongst other things, he has also received a complete set of Saddler's Tools, so that any repairs to Saddles, Harness, &c., can be executed here equal to what they could be at home.
Terms Strictly Moderate.
BUTCHER'S LIVERY STABLES, AND CARRIAGE MANUFACTORY,
Rear of Murray Barracks, Hongkong.
All orders promptly executed, under the personal superintendence of J. B. BUTCHER.
1m 828 Hongkong, 24th April, 1869.

BOOTS, *best quality, for* Ladies, Gentlemen, and Children.
Ladies' Bronze SLIPPERS and Silk UMBRELLAS, Charles Dickens' Works, *in sets.*
Furniture CHINTZ.
Ex "Falcon" and "Zhe."
Longcloth SHIRTS, with Linen Fronts, Gauze, Merino and Silk UNDERSHIRTS, Linen and Paper COLLARS, White, Brown and Stripe Thread and Cotton SOCKS, NECKTIES and SCARFS, Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS, Straw HATS, Hillwool's HELMETS, Sangster's UMBRELLAS, Masaki VESTS, Trower DUCK and DRILL, ALPACA, French MERINO and PARAMATTAS.
Ladies' and Children's Trimmed and Untrimmed HATS, White and Fancy Muslin and other DRESSES, Printed French CAMBRICS, Silk, Lisle, Thread and Cotton HOSIERY, Silk GLOVES, Trimmed BODIES, Cambric EDGINGS, RIBBONS, LACES, VELVETS, HABERDASHERY, &c.
Window CURTAINS, Mosquito NETS, SHEETINGS and COUNTERPANES, Bath and Toilet COVERS, Damask Table LINEN, Gauze and other FLANNELS, Longcloth and Irish LINENS, STATIONERY of all kinds, PERFUMERY, BRUSHES, SOAPS, SPONGES, Children's PERAMBULATORS, &c., &c.
S. W. BAKER & Co.
tf 779 Hongkong, 19th April, 1869.

MORRIS & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS,
NEWS AND COMMISSION AGENTS,
QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.
tf647 *(Late J. B. Morris, News Agent.)* [Apl

Docks.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

THE Company call the attention of Ship Owners, Consignees, and Masters of Vessels to their establishments at Hongkong and WHAMPOA, for the DOCKING and REPAIRS of Vessels of all classes.

At Hongkong the Company have the only Dock in the Harbour,—a granite Dock, solidly built, and of dimensions to admit ships of 350 feet in length, and drawing 22 feet of water.

Attached to it there are Shipwrights', Blacksmiths', Boilermakers, and Machinery works, and everything necessary for the repairs of Sailing Vessels or Steamers.

The Company have also opened a Ship Yard by the side of the HONGKONG DOCK, and are ready to contract for the construction of Steamers or Sailing Vessels of any size.

At Whampoa the Company will take ships at reduced rates.

The Steam Tug *Little Orphan* can be engaged to tow Vessels to sea, or berth them, at reasonable rates.

For Particulars apply to
ROB. S. WALKER,
Secretary,
Company's Office, Queen's Road,
Corner of Ice House Lane.
tf 694 Hongkong, 8th April, 1869.

PORT OF AMOY.

SHIPOWNERS, AGENTS, and COMMANDERS are informed that the DOCK COMPANY'S ESTABLISHMENTS at the above Port afford every facility, at moderate charges, for
REPAIRING AND SPARRING VESSELS,
AND
CLEANING AND PAINTING IRON SHIPS AND STEAMERS.

THREE LARGE GRANITE DOCK, Has 266, feet length on the blocks, and at average spring tides can receive Vessels of 16 to 17 feet draught. It has a CAISSON GATE, AND POWERFUL CENTRIFUGAL STEAM-PUMP.

And an Engineers' workshop fitted with Lathes and Tools, driven by steam. Iron and Brass Foundries, Boiler-makers' shop, a large Smithy, and Carpenters' and Boat-builders' sheds. All superintended by resident Europeans.

Their two smaller GRANITE DOCKS can receive, at spring tides, Vessels drawing 12 feet.

Spars, Timber, and other Dock-yard material kept in stock.

Quarters for Officers, and a DRY GODOWN for STORES, of Vessels under repair.
tf 2317 Amoy, December, 1868.

THE CALIFORNIA DRY DOCK COMPANY.
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA U. S.

NOTICE TO SHIP OWNERS, AGENTS, CONSIGNEES, AND MASTERS.

THE Company's DRY DOCKS situated at Hunter's Point, San Francisco, are now completed, and in successful operation, and affect every facility for the docking and repair of all classes of Steam and Sailing Vessels.

THE GRAVING DOCK,
Excavated in the solid rock, and finished in the most substantial manner, is of the following dimensions:—Extreme length 450 feet, length 30 blocks 416 feet, width at top 120 feet, depth 30 feet, width of entrance 70 feet; at most high tide will take in a ship drawing 22 feet, without lightering.

This DOCK is fitted with a Caisson Gate, and is supplied with two powerful centrifugal Steam Pumps, capable of pumping out the Dock in two hours.

THE FLOATING DRY DOCK.

Will receive Vessels of 1,500 tons measurement and under. The DOCK is 82 feet wide, and 210 feet in length, is built of the soundest Oregon Pine, thoroughly bolted and bolted, and is furnished with all the requisites for docking a ship successfully. Vessels taken up at all stages of the tide.

The Company feel warranted in stating that repairs on Vessels can be made as advantageously in San Francisco, respect to cost of materials and labour, as in any other part of the world.

For particulars, address
JAMES POLLOCK,
Superintendent.
6m 2390] SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA U. S.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the Ninth call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above-named Company is due on the 1st June next, and will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GEORGE N. MINTO,
Secretary.
tf 442 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

MR. ROBERT S. WALKER has this day been appointed Secretary to the Company, and Mr. JOHN INGLIS, the present Acting Secretary, resumes his functions as managing Engineer for the Company.

By order of the Board of Directors,
ROB. S. WALKER,
Secretary.
tf 457 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1869.

UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

THE SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the fifth Call is payable in two instalments of $100 each, say:—
On 31st MARCH } next,
and 30th JUNE } next,
at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum will be charged after the above dates.

By order of the Board of Directors,
ROB. S. WALKER,
Secretary.
tf 359 Hongkong, 16th February, 1869.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Fortnightly Market Circulars published by the Chamber, will in future be deliverable from this office of the undersigned from 10 A.M. of the morning preceding the steamer's departure. The Circulars are at the disposal of *non-Members*, on application to the Secretary, who will furnish particulars of cost, &c.

By order,
J. W. WOOD,
Secretary.
Club Chambers,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869. [tf 437

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF DENT & CO.

A SECOND Dividend of Five per centum upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 15th May next.

On application to Mr. G. OVERBECK, at the office of the Trustees, No. 7, *Pedder's Hill*, creditors will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees, which will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.
3m 148 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1869.

Intimations.

UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE OF
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,
SIR RICHARD G. MACDONNELL, C.B.,
AND
LADY MACDONNELL,
WHO have signified their intention to honor the performance with their presence.

LUSITANO THEATRE.

FRIDAY NEXT, 30TH APRIL, 1869,

SPECIAL PROGRAMME.

GRACE EGERTON,
(MRS. GEORGE CASE)
AND
MR. GEORGE CASE,
In succeeding their first performance, have much pleasure in stating that it will be under the patronage, and in the presence of
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,
AND
LADY MACDONNELL.

In order to avoid confusion at the door, and to enable every one to obtain their numbered and respective Seat,
AN EARLY APPLICATION FOR TICKETS IS SOLICITED.

The programme has been specially selected, containing many new features, interspersed with Mrs. GEORGE CASE's most favorite impersonations.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.
Admission $2
Private Boxes to hold six 12

Tickets may be obtained of Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. (where a plan of the theatre may be seen), and of Messrs. MORRIS & Co.

Doors open at 8.30. Performance to commence at 9 o'clock.
846 Hongkong, 28th April, 1869.

THE NEW ALHAMBRA,
HOLLYWOOD ROAD, HONGKONG.

V. MATHEI respectfully announces to the Public of Hongkong, that he is building, at considerable expense, a commodious, well-ventilated Theatre, in *Hollywood Road*, in which he will have the honour of producing, twice per week, on the evenings of MONDAY and FRIDAY, instrumental Concerts and Danc

The Hong Kong Daily Press.

No. 3584 號四十八百五千三第 日七十月三庚 年己巳治同 HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1869. 三拜禮 八十月此英 港香 [PRICE $3½ PER MONTH

Arrivals.

Apr. 27, AMAZONE, North-Ger. bk., 213, T. Behsteldt, Tamsui 13th April, Camphor.—EL. SCHEUBLASS & Co.

Apr. 27, MIL-DEPERHANCE, Brit. bg., 157, Turner, Newcastle, N.S.W. 7th March, Coals.—ORDER.

Apr. 28, VADRAS, Span. str., 500, Acofra y Garcia, Manila 23rd April, Mails.—SPANISH CONSUL.

Apr. 28, IMPERATRICE, French str., 1,548, Maurire, Suez 28th March, Aden 4th April, Galle 12th, and Singapore 20th, General.—MESSAGERIES IMPERIALES.

Departures.

Apr. 27, FYNE-SHUEY, str., for Manila.
Apr. 27, UNITED SERVICE, str., for Shanghai.
Apr. 27, LA SERINA, for Takao.
Apr. 27, EDOUARD & MARY, for Saigon.
Apr. 27, SAN-LORENZO, for Manila.
Apr. 27, NETTIE MERRYMAN, for Shanghai.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, APRIL 27TH.

Albatros, for Saigon.
Yung-tai, for Saigon.

Passengers.

Per *Galicia*, from Manila,—
4 passengers.
Per *Amazone*, from Tamsui,—
1 Chinese.
Per *Impératrice*, str., from Suez, &c., *For Hongkong*.

From Marseilles.—Mrs. Stanley Delbart, Messrs. Bastion, Castaneus, Olauch, Gilabert, Ricard, Galabadias, Torra, Colaru, Canalda, The Baron Morlat, Messrs. Yadel, Guillermin, Pritzsch, Valldlem, Mrs. Midlich, Mr. Anneckes and child, Mrs. Minano, Escaler, Herrera, Clemente, Mr. and Mrs. Vallis and child, Messrs. Herrera, Lorano, Sobino, Ocon, Yague.

From Singapore.—4 Chinese.

From Saigon.—Messrs. Parker, Rivault, Mrs. Shannon, and 1 Chinese.

For Shanghai.

From Marseilles.—Messrs. Key Ogn. Sandri, Maerers.

From Calcutta.—Messrs. Morse, Norman and Harris.

From Saigon.—Messrs. Sordiri, Mollet, Balmure and servant.

For Yokohama.

From Saigon.—Capt. Cazeet, Lieut. Thomas, 2 Sub. Officers, and 98 men French Infantry, 4 Spahis.

Exports.

None.

Shipping Notices Today.

MORRIS & Co.—
Sundries, Household Furniture, &c.

LOST, on Friday evening, between the Hollywood Road and East Point, a small Gold LOCKET, containing two Photographs; any person having found the same, and will bring it to the *Daily Press* Office, will be suitably rewarded.
tf 724 Hongkong, 12th April, 1869.

PORTRAITS.

MR. J. THOMSON begs to intimate that as his rooms are being repaired and improved, they will be closed for portraits from this date to May 10th.
Commercial Bank Buildings.
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1869. [tf 814

NOTICE.

MR. CHAS. STORRY having returned from Japan, has re-established himself here on his own account, as Architect, Surveyor, and Civil Engineer. Office No. 3, *Peddar's Hill*.
tf 531 Hongkong, 11th March, 1869.

FOR SALE.

THE Italian Clipper-ship "*TERESA*," of 1,224 Tons Register, now lying at the Inner Harbour, of Macao.

For particulars, apply to Messrs. J. J. DOS REMEDIOS & Co., Hongkong, or to the Undersigned, Macao.

M. A. DOS REMEDIOS.
3m 797 Macao, 19th April, 1869.

FOR SALE.

BILLIARD Meerschaum PIPES.
Fancy Do. Do.
Charcoal Do.
Briarwood Do.
And,
Sealskin Tobacco POUCHES and Cigar CASES.
THOS. HUNT & Co.
7d 801 Hongkong, 21st April, 1869.

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.—On and after the 1st of March next, the office of this Company situated over the Hongkong Dispensary will be closed.

Letters can, however, be left at Beckstone, in a box placed for the purpose within the same building.

The Company's Stock of Chandeliers and other fittings will, after above date, be to view at the premises of Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., *Queen's Road*.

A. NEWTON,
Manager.
3m 770 Hongkong, 19th February, 1869.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

THE management of the HONGKONG HOTEL has this day been placed in the hands of Mr. GEORGE E. BOTTS, to whom all communications on the business of the Hotel should be addressed.

YEE-WO & Co.
tf 635 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

THE Lease of the HONGKONG HOTEL having this day been transferred to me, the interest and responsibility of LEE-A-FUNG ceases. The business as before will be carried on under the name of YEE-WO & Co.

CHUN-CHAN,
Lessee.
tf 695 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. C. LANGDON DAVIES having resigned, Mr. EDWARD BAKER has been appointed Secretary of the above Company from this date.
tf 640 Hongkong, 31st March, 1869.

LEONARD BARNES,
GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKER,
(By appointment).

Funerals entrusted to his care will be properly and economically conducted.

Head Stones cut and erected.
Spring Gardens,
Opposite Messrs. Bell, Purdon & Co.
tf 775 Hongkong, 15th April, 1869.

COAL AT YPOILO.

LONEY & Co., Yipoilo, have on hand a quantity of Australian Steam COALS, which they can supply on short notice, and at reasonable prices.
3m 587 Hongkong, 23rd March, 1869.

NOTICE.

MESSRS. WATCHELS, GROOS & Co., of Nagasaki, have been appointed Agents for Japan for the *Daily Press*, *Overland Trade Report*, *Straits Times Extra*, and all other publications issued from this Office, and residents in Japan will please make application to them *Daily Press* Office, July, 1868.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—5,000,000 of Dollars.

Court of Directors:—
Chairman—GEORGE F. HEAUD, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—JULIUS MUNCKE, Esq.
George J. Holland, Esq. — Adolphe Adams, Esq.
William Lemann, Esq. — J. P. Bannerman, Esq.
W. H. Forbes, Esq. — Richard Hewett, Esq.
S. D. Sassoon, Esq. — R. K. Hilliar, Esq.
Hon. Ho. A. B. Taylor.

Managers:—
Hongkong—Victor Kresser, Esq., Chief Manager.
Shanghai—David McEwan, Esq.
London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG
INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits.—
For 3 months 2 per cent. per annum
6 " 4 " "
12 " 5 " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits—granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts—granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

VICTOR KRESSER, *Chief Manager*.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
tf 1062 Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.
CAPITAL PAID-UP £750,000.
With power to increase to £1,500,000.
Reserve Fund, £145,902: 14s. 8d.
Head Office—No. 65, *Old Broad Street*, *London, E.C.*

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
George Garden Nicol, Esq.—*Chairman*.
Donald Larnack, Esq.
George May, Esq.
Sir Frederick J. Halliday.
James H. Robertson, Esq.
Ellis James Gibson, Esq.
David Trail Robertson, Esq.—*Chief Manager*.

LONDON BANKERS.
Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank.

SOLICITORS.
Messrs. Clarke, Sons, & Rawlins.

AUDITORS.
Messrs. Coleman, Turquand, Young & Co.,
Public Accountants.
J. Smith, Esq., of Messrs. W. Nicol & Co., Bombay.
James Joseph Mackenzie, Esq., late of Messrs. Dent & Co., China.

Branches and Agencies.
Bombay.
Calcutta.
Madras.
Ceylon { Colombo. Kandy. Galle.
Singapore.
Penang.
Foochow.
Shanghai.
Yokohama.
Hankow.
Mauritius.
Saigon.
Batavia.

EDINBURGH DEPOSIT AGENCY,
128, George Street.
CHARLES CRANSON, Esq., C.A.—Agent.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Current deposits.—Accounts are kept on which no interest is allowed and no charge made for collecting Bills, Cheques, &c.

Fixed deposits.—Are received viz:—
Repayable at 12 months .....6% per annum.
" at 6 " .....5½ per annum.

The Bank discounts Local Bills, and Notes payable in Hongkong having at least two approved names uncontested in general partnership, and makes advances on approved Banking Securities.

Exchange.

The Bank issues drafts on its London Office, and on the London Joint Stock Bank at four months' sight, also on its Branches above, and Agents in Scotland, Ireland, Melbourne, Sydney, and Towns in Australia, New Zealand, &c., and grants Circular Notes for the use of travellers negotiable in all Towns of importance throughout the world.

Bills payable in Europe or in any of the above mentioned places are purchased or remitted for collection.

Further information as to the rules of business may be obtained at the office, or on application by letter to the Manager.

Office hours—10 to 3. Saturday 10 to 1.
WILLIAM JACKSON, *Manager*.
2, Queen's Road, 24th July, 1867.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS
Incorporated by National Decrees of 7th and 9th May, 1848, and by Imperial Decree of 25th July, 1864, and 31st December, 1866.

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,—
Francs 50,000,000,—£2,000,000.

RESERVED FUND,—
Francs 20,000,000,—£800,000.

LONDON BANKERS:
UNION BANK OF LONDON.

HEAD OFFICE: 14, RUE BERGERE, PARIS.
AGENCIES AT: LONDON, NANTES, LYONS, BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, SAIGON, SAINT DENIS, (ILE DE LA REUNION,) AND YOKOHAMA.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

THIS BANK issues Drafts on its Paris Head Office, on the UNION BANK OF LONDON, and on its Agencies in London, Bombay, Calcutta, Shanghai, Bourbon, Saigon, and Yokohama, and on the principal places of Commerce on the Continent of Europe, India, America, China, Australia, &c.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS are kept, upon which no Commission is charged, and no Interest allowed.

BILLS on Europe, India, America, Australia, &c., &c., are purchased or remitted for collection.

LOCAL BILLS discounted, and LOANS granted on Merchandise, &c., &c.

LETTERS OF CREDIT issued, available for the purchase of Merchandise in all parts of the World, on terms to be ascertained on application to the Manager.

E. DELBANCO,
Manager.

Offices in Hongkong:—
BANK BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, December, 1868. [790

MEDICAL.—A Gentleman, aged 38, M.D. and M.R.C.S., now Conducting a Practice as *Leading Town* of 45,000, a year in the East, is anxious for a similar engagement next June. Terms, £1,000 per annum with board. Address, D. M., *Daily Press* Office.
tf 2199 Hongkong, 24th November, 1868.

GREAT REDUCTION.
Closing of Business.

THE Undersigned, who is closing his business in May next, begs most respectfully to offer to the public his large selection of Photographs, at the following low rates, an opportunity that should not be lost, persons wishing to have copies from their negatives can have them at greatly reduced rates.

Views in set of 50 each $20.00
Views in ½ set of 25 each 12.50
W. P. FLOYD.
tf 553 Hongkong, 19th March, 1869.

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the year ending on 31st December last, at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum, say $7.50 per paid-up Share of $125, and $1.50 per Share on which $25 have been paid, is payable on and after MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By order of the Court of Directors.
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.
tf 358 Hongkong, 15th February, 1869.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the unpaid Capital of One Hundred Dollars per share, on the 20,000 New Shares of the Corporation's Stock, will fall due on the dates following, viz:—

On 1st July, 1869, ...$25
1st July, 1870, ... 25
1st January, 1872, ... 25
1st January, 1873, ... 25
$100

Shareholders electing to pay the whole or any portion of the above calls by anticipation, will receive interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, payable half yearly, until the respective dates at which the calls shall fall due, and receipts for such payments will be issued at the Head Office and Branches.

By order of the Court of Directors,
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.
tf 447 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between Messrs. A. MULLER and C. H. CLAUSSEN, will be dissolved by mutual consent on the 15th May next, they therefore offer the whole of their valuable stock, consisting chiefly of goods lately arrived, at rates to secure immediate clearance.

The STOCK consists of PIECE GOODS, Ready-made CLOTHING, HOSIERY, HATS, SHIRTS, BOOTS, &c., &c.

Must positively be cleared by the above date.

MÜLLER & CLAUSSEN,
Queen's Road.
tf 543 Hongkong, 17th March, 1869.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

FANCY DOESKINS, ANGOLAS, and FLANNELS.
Black MERINO.
White DUCK and DRILL.
Overland TRUNKS, &c.
Travelling BAGS.
Dressing GOWNS.
MAUDS and RUGS.
Dawson's BOOTS.

The whole offered at cost price, in consequence of closing on 15th May.

MULLER & CLAUSSEN.
tf 785 Hongkong, 19th April, 1869.

NOTICE.

AS the business of Messrs. MULLER & CLAUSSEN will be closed on 15th May, all persons having Claims against them must present the same before that date, and all accounts due to them must be paid immediately.
4d 657 Hongkong, 2nd April, 1869.

COACH BUILDING.

LEONARD BARNES, Coach Builder and Wheelwright (late Wheelwright to H.M. Royal Carriage Factories), will undertake to make and repair all kinds of carriages.

N.B.—All work entrusted to his care will be neatly done, and executed upon the shortest notice.

Spring Gardens,
Opposite Messrs. Bell, Purdon & Co.
tf 756 Hongkong, 15th April, 1869.

NOTICE.

DICK'S L'EXTINCTEUR,
OR
PATENT PORTABLE SELF-ACTING FIRE ENGINE.

THE Undersigned having been favoured by the Agents in Hongkong with the sale of these Invaluable Machines, begs to invite Public attention to them as a remedial in the event of Fire. An experimental trial will be made, under the observation of the Officers of the Fire Brigade, of which the Public will have due notice.

ANDREW MILLAR,
1, Queen's Road East, and Nullah Lane.
tf 416 Hongkong, 27th February, 1869.

JOHN TAYLOR & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS
IN
PHOTOGRAPH AMBROTYPE MATERIALS
AND
CHEMICALS.

We have the largest Stock of these Goods on the Pacific Coast, and our facilities are such that we can sell at very *low prices*.

Orders from abroad will have special attention, and packed with care for Shipment.

512 & 514, WASHINGTON STREET,
1m] SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. 786

HONGKONG INSURANCE COMPANY, 1868.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company, are prepared to issue Marine Policies on the usual terms to the extent of £10,000, on any first class risk.

A. G. HOGG & Co.
tf 598 Hongkong, 17th March, 1869.

NOTICE.

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month	1 month of the annual rate.
Above 1 month but not exceeding 3 months	3 " 4 do. do.
Above 3 months but not exceeding 6 months	6 " 4 do. do.

Above 6 months the full annual rate.

A. G. HOGG & Co.,
Agents, Sun Fire Office.
tf 676 Hongkong, 9th June, 1868.

HAMBURG BREMEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are now authorized to accept assurances against Fire at Hongkong, and at any of the open ports in China, to the increased amount of $30,000 on one Risk.

WM. PUSTAU & Co., *Agents*.
tf 2105 Hongkong, 7th November, 1868.

NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the Estate of the late Rodney HENRY GRANT, lately a Clerk in the Naval Yard, Hongkong, are requested to make payment, and all persons having Claims against the said Estate are notified to send in their Claims to the undersigned without delay.

JNO. J. FRANCIS,
Solicitor for
JOHN D. MACDONALD THOMSON,
Executor.
1m 745 Hongkong, 3rd April, A.D., 1869.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MORRIS & Co. will sell at their General Auction,

THIS DAY,

28th April, 1869, at 12 o'clock Noon.—

The undermentioned Articles:—

Corn STARCH, Paint OIL, American BUTTER, TOBACCO, CIGARS, BISCUITS, HAMS, KEROSINE, Kerosine LAMPS, Bass's BEER, Allsopp's BEER, Geneva GIN, OLD TOM, Cherry CORDIAL, SOCKS, HANDKERCHIEFS, Mosquito NET, Window CURTAINS, NAPKINS, Table COVERS, RUGS, Linen SHEETS, TUMBLERS, PRESERVES: Neck TIES, Paper COLLARS, PERFUMERY, BRANDY, BOOTS,

Also,

Sundry HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising: Spring SOFA, Spring CHAIRS, Arm CHAIRS, WHAT-NOT, ORGAN, Iron BEDSTEADS, Wooden BEDSTEADS, &c., &c., &c.

A 6-oared GIG.

And Sundry other GOODS too numerous to mention.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
834 Hongkong, 26th April, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,

the 29th April, 1869, at 12 o'clock,

At his Sale Room,

"COMMERCIAL BANK BUILDINGS,"—

5 Cases, each 50 dozen, Linen HANDKERCHIEFS.
40 Pieces Summer TWEEDS.
50 " Printed CALICO.
10 Boxes, each 4 dozen, Assorted PENCIL CASES.
75 Dozen Assorted Wooden PIPES.
50 " " BON BONS.
2 " Carriage WHIPS.
7 Mills Revolver CARTRIDGES, No. 30/100.
2 Cases MUSKETS.
10 Mills Pistol CARTRIDGES.
3 Handscene Fire GRATES.
5 Cruet STANDS.
30 Bbls. Coal TAR.
40 Kerosine LAMPS.
10 Dozen Lamp CHIMNEYS.
Sheet Rubber PACKING, ¼ ⅜ ½ and ⅝ inch.
Copper TACKS, ¾, ½, and 1 inch.
Carpet TACKS, 6 8 and 10 oz.
Deck LIGHTS, Round and Square.
Patent double Deck scrub BRUSHES, Single scrub BRUSHES, Shoe, Paint, Horse, Tube, and Whitewash BRUSHES.
An Invoice of French LAMPS and FLUID, (Lampante De Gas Mille).
Flat, Round, and 4-Round FILES, assorted Sizes, FOOLSCAP, MIRRORS, FELT-HOODES Sun GLASSES, Musical BOXES, Work BOXES, &c., &c.
A quantity of Household and Office FURNITURE.

And,

By order of the Official Administrator, Sundry EFFECTS, belonging to the Estates of the late Capt. Andrew Page and James Simpson, viz:—

A Silver WATCH and Gold CHAIN, 1 Opera GLASS, 1 REVOLVER, in Case, 1 Dressing CASE, and Sundry Personal EFFECTS.

Office furniture will be sold at 1 p.m.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash, before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
842 Hongkong, 28th April, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, *Queen's Road*, on

FRIDAY,

the 30th instant, at noon,—

An Invoice PLATED WARE, comprising Dish COVERS, Pickle and Cruet FRAMES, Liquor STANDS, Salt STANDS, Toast RACKS, Tea SERVICES, Cake BASKETS, &c., &c.

Cash BOXES, Riding WHIPS, Key RINGS, Wire Dish COVERS, Writing DESKS.
100 Kegs White LEAD.
40 Kegs White ZINC.
100 Drums PAINT OIL.
10 Drums TURPENTINE.
14 Tierces really good Salt BEEF.
130 lbs. Boiled MUTTON, in 6 lbs. Tins.
300 " " BEEF, in 6 lbs. Tins.
50 Cases Dr. Townsend's SARSAPARILLA (*Genuine*), 100 Cases Swaine Board's Old TOM GIN.
50 Cases BRANDY, Holland's GIN, Sherry CORDIAL, &c., &c.
HOSIERY, 20 Pairs Dawson's BOOTS, Pocket HANDKERCHIEFS, SOAP, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk upon fall of the hammer.
843 Hongkong, 28th April, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, at his Sales Rooms, Commercial Bank Buildings, on

FRIDAY,

the 30th April, 1869, at 2.30 p.m.

An Invoice of Really Superior WINES, (Just Landed) comprising:—
10 Cases, each 1 Dozen, Cliquot's Grand Vin de CHAMPAGNE.
5 " each 1 dozen, Radesheimer HINTERHAUS.
5 " each 1 dozen, Johannisberg GAHINT.
20 " each 1 dozen, Steinwein BOXBEUTEL.
30 " each 1 dozen, F. W. Cosen's Superior SHERRY.

Also,

15 Cases Assorted LIQUEURS (very fine), each case contains:
1 Bottle, each Crème De MOKA.
" D'ANANAS.
" De NOYAU.
" De CACAO.
" De VANILLE.
" De CREOLE.
" De GINGEMBIC.
" De CANELLE.
Fine ORANGE.
MIROBOLANTY.
BAUME HUMAIN.
CURACAO.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG.
Auctioneer.
823 Hongkong, 24th April, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Property at Fonchow, known as DENT & Co.'s, will be offered for sale by Public Auction in June next, unless previously disposed of by Private Contract.

The Property consists of

DWELLING HOUSE,
containing 8 Rooms and Bath Rooms, with Servants' Offices and Stables detached, the whole surrounded by a Garden.

This House is let on a short Lease at $150 per month.

OFFICE AND GODOWNS.

A House containing 4 Offices and spacious Tea Room, with fireproof Godowns, large Tiffin-room, and Compradore's Rooms below, Servants' Offices, &c., detached.

Three large GODOWNS A, B, and C, adjoining the above.

This Property has water frontage, is situated in the most eligible portion of the business quarter of Fonchow, and is let on a Repairing Lease for 5 years, commencing from the 1st May next, at the annual rental of $4,500.

For further particulars apply at the Office of the Trustees, No. 7, *Peddar's Hill*.
5m 253 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1869.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,

the 29th inst., at noon,

At the Godowns of Messrs. JOHN BURD & Co.,—

S C. } 10 Cases WHITE
B. (in heart) 233/215. } SHIRTINGS.

Ex "Mikado."

All more or less Mildewed.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

C. D. BOTTOMLEY,
Auctioneer.
833 Hongkong, 27th April, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 30th day of April, 1869, at noon, on the Premises.

By order of the Mortgagee, under the power of sale contained in the Deed of Mortgage,—

All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate at Jardine's Bazaar, registered in the Land Office as Section A of Inland Lot No. 300, together with the Seven Houses erected thereon, all tenanted.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed of transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the Purchaser. The Property to be at the risk of the Purchaser from the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
792 Hongkong, 20th April, 1869.

FOR SALE.

THE following properties, belonging to the Estate of DENT & Co.—

AT HANKOW.

The property at present occupied by Messrs. EVANS & RAINROW, consisting of a DWELLING HOUSE, with Servants' OFFICES, and STABLES, and three GODOWNS, each 150 feet by 60.

The situation of this property, outside the British Concession, its River frontage of 320 feet, and extensive Godown accommodation, makes it one of the most valuable at Hankow, especially for Steamboat purposes.

AT KIUKIANG.

Four lots on the British Concession, with a frontage of 232 feet on the River Bund. The buildings consist of a DWELLING HOUSE, with Servants' OFFICES, and two GODOWNS, 100 feet by 50, and 105 feet by 66, on the front lots, and of a GODOWN, 155 feet by 66 feet, on the back lot.

For further Particulars, apply
At the Office of the Trustees,
No. 7, *Peddar's Hill*,
Or to H. P. HANSSEN,
Shanghai.
1431 716 Hongkong, 12th April, 1869.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE.

SHARES Nos. 71, 72, 73, (the Premia contributed on *each share being $3,443*), have been placed in the hands of the Directors *For Sale*. Sealed tenders for purchase of same, marked "Tender for Share No. ," will be received until the 10th May, 1869.

By order of the Board.
ROBERT WATMORE,
Secretary.
757 827 Hongkong, 26th April, 1869.

SEALED TENDERS, marked on the outside "Tenders for Hobiets," will be received until noon on SATURDAY, the 1st Proximo, for the supply of 141 Hobiets, with Bed Purlgarts, to be delivered at the Military Store Department, Hongkong.

A Size Roll can be seen, and any further information obtained at the Commissariat Office.

REDMOND UNIACKE,
Dep. Commissary General.
Controller's Office, Commissariat,
Hongkong, 24th April, 1869. [8d 820

NOTICE.

SELLING OFF AT COST PRICE,
FOR
ONE MONTH ONLY.

THE Undersigned begs respectfully to call the attention of Shipmasters, and the Public in general, to the notice that they are selling off the remainder of their Stock at

COST PRICE,
FOR
ONE MONTH ONLY,

and feel they have a large assortment of Goods, particularly Rope, Canvas, Stoves, Sealed Packing, Tobacco, Sances, Cheese, and sundry other Articles.

THOS. HUNT & Co.
tf 781 Hongkong, 19th April, 1869.

CARRIAGE MANUFACTORY.

J. B. BUTCHER begs respectfully to inform the Inhabitants of Hongkong, that he has just received a larger consignment of CARRIAGE MATERIALS, PAINTS, VARNISH, &c.

than has ever been introduced into Hongkong. He is now prepared to build to order, or repair, Carriages of any description, on very low terms, having received cloth, leather, paints, varnish and every other requisite, especially CARRIAGE TRIMMINGS, LACE, &c., &c.

Amongst other things, he has also received a complete set of Saddler's Tools, so that any repairs to Saddles, Harness, &c., can be executed here equal to what they could be at home.

Terms Strictly Moderate.

Also,

BUTCHER'S LIVERY STABLES,
AND
CARRIAGE MANUFACTORY,
Rear of Murray Barracks, Hongkong.

All orders promptly executed, under the personal superintendence of J. B. BUTCHER.
1m 826 Hongkong, 24th April, 1869.

Ex S. S. "Aganemnon."

BOOTS, *best quality*, for Ladies, Gentlemen, and Children.
Ladies' Bronze SLIPPERS and Silk UMBRELLAS, Charles Dickens' Works, *to sale*.
Furniture CHINTZ.

Ex "Fidomo" and "Zion."

Longcloth SHIRTS with Linen Fronts, Gauze, Merino and Silk UNDERSHIRTS, Linen and Paper COLLARS, White, Brown and Stripe Thread and Cotton SOCKS, NECKTIES and SCARFS, Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS, Straw HATS, Silwood's HELMETS, Sengster's UMBRELLAS, Masala VESTS, Trouser DUCK and DRILL, ALPACA, French MERINO and PARAMATTAS.

Ladies' and Children's Trimmed and Untrimmed HATS, White and Fancy Muslin and other DRESSES, Printed French CAMBRICS, Silk Lisle, Thread and Cotton HOSIERY, Silk GLOVES, Trimmed BODIES, Cambric RUCHINGS, RIBBONS, LACES, VELVETS, HABERDASHERY, &c.

Window CURTAINS, Mosquito NETS, SHEETINGS and COUNTERPANES, Bath and Toilet COVERS, Damask Table LINEN, Gauze and other FLANNELS, Longcloth and Irish LINENS, STATIONERY of all Kinds, PERFUMERY, BRUSHES, SOAPS, SPONGES, Children's PERAMBULATORS, &c., &c.

S. W. BAKER & Co.
tf 779 Hongkong, 19th April, 1869.

MORRIS & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS,
NEWS AND COMMISSION AGENTS,
QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.
tf047] (*Late J. B. Morris, News Agent.*) [Apl

Docks.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

THE Company call the attention of Ship Owners, Consignees, and Masters of Vessels to their establishments at HONGKONG and WHAMPOA, for the DOCKING and REPAIRS of Vessels of all classes.

At Hongkong the Company have the only Dock in the Harbour,—a granite Dock, solidly built, and of dimensions to admit ships of 350 feet in length, and having 22 feet of water.

Attached to it there are Shipwrights, Blacksmiths, Boilermakers, and Machinery works, and everything necessary for the repairs of Sailing Vessels or Steamers.

The Company have also opened a Ship Yard by the side of the HONGKONG Dock, and are ready to contract for the construction of Steamers or Sailing Vessels of any size.

At Whampoa, the Company will take Ships at reduced rates.

The Steam Tug *Little Orphan* can be engaged to tow Vessels to sea, or berth them, at reasonable rates.

For Particulars apply to
ROB. S. WALKER,
Secretary.
Company's Office, Queen's Road,
Corner of Ice House Lane.
tf 694 Hongkong, 8th April, 1869.

PORT OF AMOY.

SHIPOWNERS, AGENTS, and COMMANDERS are informed that the Dock Company's ESTABLISHMENTS at the above Port afford every facility, at moderate charges, for

REPAIRING AND SPARRING VESSELS,
AND
CLEANING AND PAINTING IRON SHIPS AND STEAMERS.

THEIR LARGE GRANITE DOCK,
Has 283 feet length on the blocks, and an average spring tide can receive Vessels of 16 to 17 feet draught. It has a
CAISSON GATE, AND POWERFUL CENTRIFUGAL STEAM-PUMP,
And an Engineers' work-shop fitted with Lathes and Tools, driven by steam. Iron and Brass Foundries, Boiler-makers' shops, a large Smithy, and Carpenters' and Boat-builders' sheds. All superintended by resident Europeans.

Their two smaller GRANITE DOCKS can receive, at spring tides, Vessels drawing 12 feet.

Spars, Timber, and other Dock-yard material kept in stock.

Quarters for Officers, and a DRY GODOWN for STORES, of Vessels under repair.
tf 2317 Amoy, December, 1868.

THE CALIFORNIA DRY DOCK COMPANY.
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA U. S.

NOTICE TO SHIP OWNERS, AGENTS, CONSIGNEES, AND MASTERS.

THE Company's DRY DOCKS situated at Hunter's Point, San Francisco, are now completed, and in successful operation, and afford every facility for the docking and repair of all classes of Steam and Sailing Vessels.

THE GRAVING DOCK

Excavated in the solid rock, and finished in the most substantial manner, is of the following dimensions:—Extreme length 480 feet, length on blocks 411 feet, width at top 120 feet, depth 30 feet, width at entrance 90 feet; at mean high tide will take in a ship drawing 22 feet, without lightering.

This DOCK is fitted with a Caisson Gate, and is supplied with two powerful centrifugal Steam Pumps, capable of pumping out the Dock in two hours.

THE FLOATING DRY DOCK.

Will receive Vessels of 1,500 tons measurement and under. The DOCK is 82 feet wide, and 210 feet in length, is built of the soundest Oregon Pine, thoroughly braced and bolted, and is furnished with all the requisites for docking a ship successfully. Vessels taken up at all stages of the tide.

The Company feel warranted in stating that repairs on Vessels can be made advantageously in San Francisco in respect to cost of materials and labour, as in any other part of the world.

For particulars, address
JAMES POLLOCK,
Superintendent.
6m 2309] SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA U. S.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the Ninth call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above-named Company is due on the 1st June next, and will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GEORGE N. MINTO,
Secretary.
tf 442 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

MR. ROBERT S. WALKER has this day been appointed Secretary to the Company, and Mr. JOHN INGLIS, the present Active Secretary, resumes his functions as managing Engineer for the Company.

By order of the Board of Directors,
ROB. S. WALKER,
Secretary.
tf 457 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1869.

UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

THE SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the fifth Call is payable in two instalments of $25 each, on:—

On 31st MARCH } next,
and 30th JUNE }

at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum will be charged after the above dates.

By order of the Board of Directors,
ROB. S. WALKER,
Secretary.
tf 350 Hongkong, 16th February, 1869.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Portuguese Market Circulars published by the Chamber, will in future be delivered to them the office of the undersigned from 10 A.M. of the morning preceding the steamer's departure. The Circulars are at the disposal of *non-Members*, on application to the Secretary, who will furnish particulars of costs, &c.

By order,
J. W. WOOD,
Secretary.
Club Chambers,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869. [tf 437

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF DENT & CO.

A SECOND Dividend of Five per centum upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 15th May next.

On application to Mr. G. GUERSSEN, at the office of the Trustees, No. 7, *Peddar's Hill*, creditors will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees, which will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.
3m 448 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1869.

Intimations.

UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE
OF
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,
SIR RICHARD G. MACDONNELL, C.B.,
AND
LADY MACDONNELL,

WHO have signified their intention to honor the performance with their presence.

LUSITANO THEATRE.

FRIDAY, NEXT, 30TH APRIL, 1869.

SPECIAL PROGRAMME.

GRACE EGERTON,
MRS. GEORGE CASE,
AND
MR. GEORGE CASE,

In announcing their third performance, have much pleasure in stating that it will be under the patronage, and in the presence of
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,
AND
LADY MACDONNELL.

In order to avoid confusion at the door, and to enable every one to obtain their numbered and respective Seat,

AN EARLY APPLICATION FOR TICKETS IS SOLICITED.

The programme has been specially selected, containing many new features, interspersed with Mrs. GEORGE CASE'S most favorite impersonations.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.
Admission ..... $ 2
Private Boxes to hold six 12

Tickets may be obtained of Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. (where a plan of the theatre may be seen), and of Messrs. MORRIS & Co.

Doors open at 8.30. Performance to commence at 9 o'clock.
849 Hongkong, 28th April, 1869.

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THE TOURISTS' GUIDE.—POCKET FORM.
REDUCED PRICE $1.
Containing the names of all the Articles of Trade, objects of Natural History, Furniture, &c., &c., with the Punti, and Mandarin Pronunciation.
Also a few copies of the GRAMMAR of the Chinese Language, in two Parts.
The Daily Press Office.

The delivery of the *Daily Press* from this office commenced on Tuesday morning at 10½5, and the last messenger left the office at 10½0.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 28TH, 1869.

In the course of his speech upon the subject of Missions in China, the Duke of SOMERSET made use of an argument which has frequently been applied to the China question, and is generally thought to be a conclusive reason for giving up any idea of forcing improvements upon this country. He said: "In doing that in a weak country, which we could not possibly do in a more powerful one, it seems to me, we are entirely wrong." This argument is often taken as a complete reply to those who urge that coercion should be brought to bear upon China, to make her respect the rights conceded by treaty, and to grant such privileges for trade and intercourse as would be beneficial alike to herself and to foreign nations. But the fallacy of the reasoning is apparent upon very little reflection. It is based upon two assumptions that are obviously wrong. First, that force may not be resorted to for good any more than for bad purposes; and, secondly, that, because coercion will not succeed in all cases it should not be availed of in instances where it will succeed.

It scarcely requires demonstration that a nation is, when other means fail, perfectly justified in resorting to force, to obtain what is a *just* demand; and as a question of right, all that has to be considered is the justice or otherwise of the cause for which, as a last resort, force is called into requisition. To deny this, is to hold that a nation disposed to a policy of selfish exclusion, has a right, that would never be admitted to be possessed by an individual, that is, to do whatever she likes without reference to her neighbours or to what is reasonable and just.

As a matter of policy, the question stands differently, as often one nation may have to put up with an injustice from another, simply because it is not worth while to go to war upon the subject. But the fact that a nation is strong enough to do what is unfair to others does not make her act any the less an injustice; and because considerations of policy may induce the nation who is the sufferer to refrain from resorting to force, it does not follow that, if such considerations did not exist, she would not be perfectly justified in doing so. The right is the same, as regards the strong as it is in regard to the weak nation; but while in the one case, it may be impolitic to enforce it, in the other, such considerations may not be worthy of being taken into account.

This latter is the case with regard to China, where any foreign nation is well aware that a coercive policy can be adopted without serious sacrifice either of life or money, excepting, of course, another foreign nation intervene. But supposing this not to happen, the only questions to consider in respect to exerting pressure would be first, whether the demands made were strictly justifiable; and, secondly, whether they could be obtained by more desirable means. With respect to the justice of the demands made on China, there can be no question seeing that they amount simply to such concessions as treaties are granted by every other civilized nation, and, as has been proved by incontestible facts, would be of the greatest benefit to China herself, the last being the strongest point in their favour. If the demands were such as would do injury to the Chinese, foreign nations would not be justified in making them, but they are justified in making them if they will do no injury to China, and still more so, if they will benefit both her and the world at large.

A Pamphlet, containing the various private memorials on the revision of the Treaty of Tientsin, which have appeared in *Supreme Court and Consular Gazette*, has been issued from the office of that paper. It is neatly got up, and will no doubt be of much use for reference.

A correspondent calls attention to two errors, which were made in the report of the Yacht Race round the island. It appears that the *Heather Bell* was not entered at all for the Sweepstakes, but merely ran the match against the *May Flower*; and also that it was only the latter vessel that put back, the former going regularly round the course, and consequently winning the cup, previously in dispute.

The account of the pilgrimage to Sancian, contained in yesterday's issue, appears to have been inaccurate in the following particulars. St. Xavier was born in Navarre, in the year 1506, and was educated in France. The funds for the erection of the memorial chapel, were raised almost entirely in France, by the exertions of Bishop Guillemin, to whose energy the entire success of the memorial, as well as of the pilgrimage, appears to be due.

MR. AND MRS. CASE'S ENTERTAINMENT.

The performance given at the Lindman Theatre last evening, surpassed the first very markedly, and was highly appreciated by a large audience. The Programme selected was, as announced, an "entire change," and the talents of Mrs. Case were displayed to very great advantage. *Madame Chamille*, the French lady of slightly ruffled temper, was enacted very cleverly, and was much applauded by the audience, while that ever popular noodle, *Lord Dundeary*, was brought before the public again, with all his well-known weaknesses and peculiarities, and his capital "widdle-widdle-widdle." The operatic selections were also very good, especially the primal donna's high note. In the character of *Mrs. Bellchirp*, the deaf old lady, Mrs. Case presented a piece of really good acting—such, indeed, as in some passages shewed touches of the highest histrionic genius; while a wonderful contrast was noticeable when she suddenly change from the crabbed old age of the above character to the sprightly youth of the pretty little *Lollette*. Mr. Case's performances on the concertina, it is needless to say, were of a very pleasing character, while his comic *fantasia* on the violin caused considerable amusement. In the second part, the Protean Cabinet was introduced; the most amusing part of which was Mr. Case's confidential explanation of how the trick was performed by the rarification of the air, and the disappearing people in consequence passing through an india rubber tube. Mr. Sims Reeves again appeared and sang the ever popular ballad of "Silloo gently o'er me stealing." The great tenor was most cleverly hit off; his little cough, his throwing back his black curls and the off otel wave of the music, when he came to the more pathetic portion of the song, were to the life.

Mr. and Mrs. Case announce another performance, which is to be honoured by the presence of the Governor and Lady Macdonnell; and when no doubt these really talented Artists will meet with that patronage from the public which their admirable performance richly merits.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

BEFORE C. MAY, ESQ. APRIL 27TH.

Chun-a-sung, an office coolie at the Post Office, was charged with endeavouring to obtain money under false pretences.

Mr. Samuel Wright Baker, said he knew the defendant. On Saturday, the 24th instant, he received a letter from Amoy, to his address, through the Post Office. His servant handed the letter to him, and he produced the envelope of that letter. On Monday, the 26th instant, about nine o'clock in the morning, the defendant came up to him and said he wanted the eight cents for the letter delivered on Saturday. He told the man to come again, not paying the demand, as on the letter was marked a "4" in red, showing the letter was paid. At about half-past ten o'clock the same morning, defendant again came for the eight cents, and upon being questioned, said there was no mistake, as he received the letter from a Portuguese. He, witness, went to see Mr. Mitchell at half-past five, and saw a number of Chinese, and picked out the defendant. His sheroff was sent for at the time, and also recognised the defendant.

Tong-a-lum, sheroff to Mr. Baker, said that on Monday, the 26th, at about nine o'clock, he saw the first witness standing at the doorway. He saw defendant come up and speak about the postage, asking for eight cents. Mr. Baker sent the man away. The defendant came again at eleven o'clock, but he did not hear what took place.

Mr. E. W. Mitchell, the Postmaster-General said the defendant was an office-coolie, and had been about three months in that employ. The defendant was strongly recommended to him by a Portuguese clerk, who is in the Post-office. It was not a part of defendant's duty to deliver letters from the post-office. The envelope produced was traced in "red" ink, which signifies pre-payment, and is, therefore, not liable to any payment on delivery. The defendant's duty is to stamp letters and acting in that capacity had access to letters. His belief was that defendant took the letter for the purpose of extortion. If the defendant had taken a letter on which money was really due, he might have delivered the letter, received the money, and afterwards it would be most difficult to find out the real delinquent.

A servant to Mr. Baker knew he took letter a to hammaron Saturday, but he could not recognise the deliverer, although he was told eight cents were wanted on the letter.

A post-office letter carrier, whose duty it is to deliver letters to Mr. Baker, denied having delivered any letters on Saturday to Mr. Baker, nor did he ask defendant to deliver any letter for him. He did not know how defendant got the letter.

The defence was a total denial of ever having delivered the letter. He knew nothing about the letter until passing Mr. Baker's on Monday, when second witness called him to go in and get eight cents postage on it. However, when he saw the envelope with the red mark he knew nothing was due.

Mr. May said he believed that the prisoner got the letter for the purpose of obtaining money under false pretenses. He was very sorry for the prisoner, as the Chinese employed in the Post Office generally did well, and rose to situations above the average of what Chinamen usually lack. Prisoner had been guilty of a serious offence, and must go to gaol for six months with hard labour.

THE DESTITUTE EMIGRANTS.

The two men in this case have been handed over to Mr. Caldwell to be sent to Macao.

Mr. Caldwell gave a history of he "coons," exactly similar as that related by him to the Coroner.

The case is accordingly closed.

THE YEE-TSZE HOSPITAL.

ADJOURNED INQUEST.

The adjourned inquest on the body of a coolie, taken out of the Yee-tsze Hospital by Mr. Lister, was resumed before the Coroner yesterday, at the magistracy.

The same Jury were in attendance.

The Master of the Hospital was called to have his evidence previously given read over to him. He corrected part of this evidence. At the former sitting, he said Mr. D. R. Caldwell paid for the expenses of "burial and attendance in the Hospital," he corrected this saying, that Mr. Caldwell only paid for burial, my attendence was gratuitous on his part. He also made alterations respecting the people, who came to see deceased. On the present occasion, he said that the person whom he before stated came to see the deceased was a Doctor who came to see the "Kwong-kee" emigrants, but was not aware that the deceased was visited.

The Coroner then further examined the witness, who stated.—There was no regular Chinese Doctor in attendance at the Hospital. In fact, the beside of the Chinese community do not at the present time take much interest in the Hospital. None of them come there now. He did "not" go to the Registrar-General's with Mr. Caldwell. The second man who came to see deceased from the "Kwong-kee," looked like a chief, and, when before, he asked him where he was from. The man went away, and did not return. When a man dies from an Emigration-house, he goes to the house and reports the fact, and afterwards goes to Mr. Caldwell to get money for the coffin. There are no fixed charges for anything that is done at the Yee-tsze. The people entirely on charity, but it does not pay well, for he (witness) "was so good hearted." (laughter.) He paid one tael to the Bookshop, for every emigrant who died. He had paid some $6 to Bookshop, and owed about three taels. The three coffins were buried two men from the "Loong-kee," one from the "Hing-kee," and six from the "Kwong-kee."

Inspector Livingston, (of Nuisances,) for the Western District—He was his duty to visit the Yee-tsze, although he had no special instructions to do so. He inspected the place once or twice a week. He generally looked at the front, and saw all clean, and once or twice he had been to the back. He had special instructions not to go into any house. He was aware that at the back there is a row of little houses, but he had never entered any of them, as the doors were always shut, and he took them for cook houses. He never heard groans proceed from this place. He had seen coffins laid out at the back of the place, but they were not disagreeable.

The Coroner here explained to the jury that it was usual with the coffins of men whose native place was far off, to leave them at the Yee-tsze until the relatives came and took them away.

Examination continued—He knew the master of the place, and saw him nearly every day. He had served him with notices to keep his up and down spouts clean. He made a daily report to Dr. Murray, in which he mentioned the houses summoned, noticed, &c.

Dr. Cockrane mentioned that it was the first time he had heard of that.

Inspector Livingston continued—He had never made any report to Dr. Murray about the Yee-tsze, nor had Dr. Murray ever said anything to him concerning the place.

Mr. Stewart said that one of the men who was taken from the Yee-tsze was getting better, and had spoken to Dr. Ocebrane, and strongly about the Yee-tsze and the treatment he had received there. He would suggest the man's evidence being taken this evening.

After some time the foreman of the jury suggested that the evidence of the sick man should be taken at once, and this was agreed to.

Inspector Peterson, who was formerly Nuisance Inspector and now watches the houses of ill-fame, said he visited the Yee-tsze, and made a report to the Registrar-General. He went to the Yee-tsze because he heard from the Chinese that there were a number of people in there. He had visited the place about eight months before, and found in it two or three people. The place was not more dirty than ordinary Chinese houses. He had known two women to have been in there, one died and one survived. When he last visited the Yee-tsze it was very dirty, but he had seen some Chinese houses almost as filthy. He never made any enquiries about a Doctor attending the place until lately. He believed the women were looked after by their friends, but he did not know.

These women were in Hospital in Mr. C. C. Smith's time. He never made any report to Mr. Lister before.

Ah-ka-foo, master of the "Kwong-kee" Emigration House, said there had lately been seven men sent from the Kwong-kee to the Yee-tsze. He was not sure, but he thought he had sent three papers with the sick men. (Witness here gave the names of the men). Some of the men had yellow spots on their bodies, and seemed very ill. When he sent them to the Hospital he some times merely told the man who took them to the Yee-tsze, to say they came from the Kwong-kee. Two men out of the seven who were sent into the Hospital recovered, and five died. If the keeper of the Temple said six died he may have included deceased. A man named Chew-sow, was the man who usually took men to the Hospital.

The master of the Yee-tsze recognised Chew-sow as having been at the Hospital before, but he was not the man who brought deceased.

At a few minutes before six, the Coroner, accompanied by Mr. Lister, Jury, &c., started for the Civil Hospital, and, on arriving there the Coroner and Jury entered the sick man's room.

The unfortunate, who was in an almost insensible state, said that he was a brick layer, and lived in Sylngpoon. He fell ill and was recommended to go to the Yee-tsze. The landlord of the house took him there, and paid 200 cash with him for ten. The witness said he never got that unless by shouting out for some time. When he first went in, he found an old woman in the room. She afterwards died, and a dying opium smoker filled her place. He had conveniences in the room, but became too weak to use them. The opium smoker was perfectly helpless from the time of his admission. He was not well treated.

The witness was so weak that he was not pressed further, and the Coroner and Jury retired.

The inquest now stands adjourned until Thursday, the 29th instant, at two o'clock when it is believed the enquiry will be finished.

RUSSIA'S ENCROACHMENTS TOWARDS CHINA.

The *Shanghai Recorder*, in commenting upon a singularly able letter by Mr. E. Cunningham, of Messrs. Russell & Co.'s, upon affairs in China, after noticing the temptation for conquest which the country presents, observes that Russia has accumulated conquest after conquest on the Jaxartes. She had annexed Bokhara, and thus joined frontiers at that point with Great Britain. What is there more likely than that by threatening British India she may keep England employed while she swoops from her commanding position in the Amoor territory, and makes herself mistress of the whole or of a part of China? Her influence is even now paramount in Eastern Turkistan, and the value of Yarkand is represented as seeking the joint guarantee of England and Russia against Russian advance. Already the Khan of Khokand, and the Prince of Yarkand are at loggerheads, and the former has invoked Russian aid. Here then, there are at once an opening into China from the east, and an opportunity of menacing Cashmere from the north. Considering these temptations and opportunities, bearing in mind the fact that the conquest of China demands not men, but money, and recalling the practice of Russia hitherto and her political principles, it cannot, but be believed, that in process of time China itself will be threatened by her powerful neighbour. People do not sufficiently realize the fact that no enormous army is required for the annexation of China.

TRANSIT DUES.

The *N. C. Daily News* points out that there are three distinct classes of inland taxation. The *likin* dues, originally instituted for war purposes, but now become permanent, which are under the authority of the Central Government, and the transit dues and Prefectural dues, or *lo-to-shuey*, which are under the Provincial authorities. These duties should be levied according to tariff, but the prefectural customs-houses, for the most part, farmed out to contractors, who bind themselves to supply the fixed amount of annual revenue, which, according to the Chinese system, is immutably prescribed, *plus* a handsome bonus to the Prefect himself, recouping their outlay by the various methods which Chinese in such a position are as well able to employ. The problem is—how to impose an efficient check on the administration of the above-named multifarious departments? It cannot be doubted that the central government alone is altogether unable to intervene successfully in provincial details of management. China is a Heptarchy compared—not by epigrams, but—by distance, an aggregate of colonies, governed more or less alike, rather than a homogeneous state. There is just enough control over provincial governments to deprive them, even if inclined that way, of the initiative in reforms, and too little to impose a check of any value on the ruinous corruption into which the Empire is daily sinking deeper. The subdivision of the question, however, into so many provincial centres is favourable to a searching inquiry, with foreign assistance, into the extent and incidence of the internal merchandize taxes respecting which we now complain. A commission constituted in each of the maritime provinces, by nominees of the Peking government and of the Treaty representatives respectively, for the purpose of investigating the *Lokin* system as locally conducted, reporting on the annual revenue obtained, the number of stations established, and method of collection employed, would pave the way toward the institution of a regular machinery, and, eventually, no doubt, to the control of the impost by foreign employés, such as it has been found absolutely necessary to place in charge of the Maritime Customs administration. No such action, as this, it is needless to say, could be carried out by the Chinese government without foreign assistance The interests of the countless hordes of "expectant" officials in each Province, who are allowed to fasten on the tax stations as a convenient means of finding them in employment and funds, are strong enough to deter the most vigorous Governor from instituting *per se* any really efficient measure of reform; nor is the Peking Government likely to feel any spontaneous desire of coming, even remotely, in collision with the large class of functionaries. Nothing but foreign pressure in the first place, and foreign assistance subsequently, can put the Chinese Government in a position to render itself and foreign trade the immense service of regulating its inland taxation.

THE CITY OF SHANGHAI.

(Shanghai Recorder.)

The sights that an adventurous visitor to the native city of Shanghai encounters are and, but suggestive. But as every circumstance, no matter how doleful in itself, possesses a ludicrous side, we can easily imagine that the condition of affairs within and round the city might move many to mirth. Scattered on every side are proofs of abject barbarism which we cannot avoid comparing with the extravagant pretensions made to a civilisation of fabulous antiquity. The most is a common sewer the walls no falling into ruin, and are defended by guns, some dismounted, some fixed in one invariable position; none worth anything even as old iron. The gates, lately furnished with neat guard-houses are now protected by bands of ragamuffins who have turned the guard-rooms into filthy kennels. The arms borne by the guards are rusty, useless for any purpose, and dangerous to those only who carry them. The streets, hardly wide enough to allow two sedan chairs to pass, are broken here and there to admit of the construction of abominable reservoirs which taint the air all round. Every dead wall is plastered with the most loathsome posters; but these are freely allowed by the police, even in the English settlement. Domestic arrangements which amongst civilised people are completed in secret, and at an early hour of the morning or after night, are publicly carried on under the midday sun. Ditches intersecting the streets in various directions are used alike as receptacles for every description of refuse, and as cisterns for the washing of food. The loose flagpavement affords but a precarious footing for the passer-by, while all either side heaps of decaying orders, vegetable matters, ashes, and so forth, form festering mounds upon which pariah dogs and little children spread and quarrel. No attempt is made to cleanse the streets or to remove the stagnant pools covered with green scum, that stand before almost every house. Each open space is converted into a huge cesspit, whithor all the filthy refuse of the neighbourhood is brought. In the immediate vicinity of each eating house there is one of the horrible reservoirs we have mentioned, and in one place at least a butcher's shop abuts on a pit of this kind, and the meat hangs over and amid exhalations such as admit of no adjectival description. It is almost needless to say that the personal decency which a well educated dog or cat observes is utterly disregarded by the Chinese. Yet paralysing as this appears to one who has paid only his first visit, use would seem to make it less horrible even to Europeans. There is sufficient proof of this in the frequency with which missionaries and other gentlemen who have become familiar with the city and its peculiar institutions, invite ladies to view curiosities within the walls.

The stunning nuisances are bad enough, but against these we may in some measure guard by averting our eyes and holding our breath. But on turning a corner, no matter at what hour of day, it is ten to one that we run into a bucket carrier, or are run into by him. One only chance is to take refuge in a shop where we shall hear conjectures commenced on *ta jen kuai*, *yang kuai tzze* and the like. Noting by the way, the precipitate flight of children who are evidently brought up to regard foreigners as bugbears, we shall find something to study in the disposition of the buckets which have put us to flight. Perhaps two buckets similarly charged may balance one another. But just as by fresh vegetables in the other, or by a side of pork. Or again, with the common load the bamboo may be festooned with various eatables imbibing the poison which rises around them. Vermin-devoured beggars are seen at every corner engaged in an occupation that may be imagined but not described. Cripples and maimed persons exhibit the most shocking deformities and diseases, appealing thus to the charity of their fellow creatures. The famished dogs, which proved in hundreds in every street, although generally ready enough to run away from a shaken stick, occasionally make fierce assaults on foreigners, and are got rid of not without much difficulty and some danger.

These, then, and such as these, are the sights that every day must the eyes of the city officials—those men who, as representing the literary class must also be held to represent the highest civilization in the empire. Yet year after year passes and no improvement is attempted, simply because the need for improvement is not seen. The Chinese are mentally deficient. This is the only solution of the difficulty. But it is a very serious thing for us as philanthropists to know that such a condition of things exists. Still more serious from a selfish point of view is it to know that this condition exists in our midst, that the city is a vast collection of pestilential foci, and that, do what we they in the settlements, there is always in the city more than sufficient material for a fatal epidemic. As we glance over the ghastly list of zymotic diseases—small pox, pest, &c.—and in the gig, Chief-officer, two Europeans, and two Chinese seamen, he made for Hongkong. At starting, he took the gig in tow, but shortly after, the rope parted, and the cry was from the lifeboat: "You try to make Hongkong the best way you can, and I will do the same." Sailing after the lifeboat was lost sight of, for she had good sails fitted to her. However, the little party in the gig did not despair of reaching port, until a junk (supposed pirate) was met, and the Chinese commenced to throw out grappling irons to seize the gig. The Chief-officer, naturally thinking that their lives would not be much worth if once got on board the junk, pulled out his revolver and threatened the Chinese, who ceased them to try and catch them. The Europeans in the gig threw their bundles on board the junk and then "sheddaddled" steering, it is believed, a W.N.W. course, and getting near to Single Island again, afterwards coming down the coast, until arrival in this port shortly after half-past twelve o'clock yesterday. The Captain and his wife arrived on Friday night at 12 o'clock, in a junk; whose master forced him to promise $1,000 for the telegrams of later date than those brought on by the English Mail.

LONDON, 3rd April.

Lord Stanley in his speech on Installation as Lord Rector of Glasgow University, said that notwithstanding the gloomy prognostications, he looked forward hopefully to the maintenance of peace. In reference to the Irish Church Question, he said that he considered an alteration desirable, but he would not wholly sweep away the Endowment of the Church, but merely establish the theory of religious equality. A plot to assassinate the Viceroy of Egypt by placing an explosive machine under his box in the Theatre has been discovered. Latest telegrams from New York state that Mr. Monthly has been selected to fill the post of American Minister in Bingham. The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. The Bank of England has raised the rate of discount one per cent.

LONDON, 6th April.

H.R.H. Prince Arthur arrived to-day in Dublin, and was received most cordially. In the House of Lords last night, Lord Cheverdon, in replying to the Duke of Somerset, censured the operations at the Island of Formosa, and said the British Consul there had been recalled. Latest advices from Spain announce that the introduction of Bibles and Protestant books printed in foreign languages has been allowed.

LONDON, 7th April.

Latest telegrams announce that Don Ferdinand of Portugal has positively refused to accept the Crown of Spain. Telegrams from New York of yesterday's date state that the Republicans have carried the Connecticut Election.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY EVENING.

The dragging market has been steady throughout the day, with a slight improvement in the price of New Patna and Benares. Malwa has been dealt with to some extent:—The following are the ruling prices, on cash and credit terms:—New Patna, $663½ to $642½, New Benares, $615 to $616½; Old Patna, $630 to $632½; Old Benares, $630 nominal; Malwa, $697½ to $655, weak.

There have been some few sales of piece goods and Yarn to-day, but beyond noting these there is nothing new to report in the market for manufactured goods. Holders continue very firm, and sellers, although anxious to realize, are quite unwilling to advance in their offers. Sales reported amount to 1,000 pieces W. White Shirtings at $4.05, 430 pieces Broadcloths at $3.75, 2,000 pieces 7lbs. T-Cloth at $4.25 to arrive, 600 pieces 8lbs. at $2.95, 50 bales No. 16½ Yarn at $134. The demand for Raw Cotton has been a little slack, and sales amount to only 100 bales Bombay at $18.75 and 100 bales Bengal at $17.50. There is nothing to report in shares.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

A telegram received this morning by the French mail from Calcutta, dated 12th April, *viâ* Galle, gives the following news:—steamer *Clan Alpine* arrived on the 3rd April. Steamer *Arratoon Apcar* on the 4th April. Patna, had declined to about Rupees 1,525, after the fourth sale, average being about 1,546 Rupees, a cheat; Benares, average about Rupees 1,256. Exchange, on London, 2s. 0¾d. per Rupee.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON,—
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight.....4/6½ to 4/6¾
Credits, at 6 months' sight.....4/7½
Documentary Bills, at 8 months' sight.....4/7½
Bank Bills on demand.....4/8½
ON SHANGHAI,—Bank, 3 days' sight.....7¾
Private, 30 days' sight.....7¾
ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, 3 days' sight.....227
" BOMBAY.—Bank, 3 days' sight.....226

SHARES.

Hongkong Bank Shares, Old.....30 prem.
" " " New.....16½ prem.
H'Kong & W'poo' Dock, Old.....3 dis.
" " " New.....5 " "
H'Kong O'ton & Macao Steam Boat Shares.....7 to 8 prem.
China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares.....$530 prem.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares.....$70 pr. per s.
Union Dock Shares, new.....25 dis.
Hongkong Hotel Shares.....55 " "

SALES ON APRIL 27TH, 1869.

As reported by Chinese.

Bombay Cotton, 26 bales, at $18.75, by Edulje & Co. to Chuen-shing.

Bombay Cotton, 25 bales, at $17.50, by Parsee merchant to Hongkong merchant.

Cotton Yarn, No. 16-24, 115 bales, at $133.00, by Holliday, Wise & Co. to Chum-cheong-tai.

Iron Wire, 200 bundles, at 37.55, by Melchers & Co. to foreign merchant.

Nail Rod Iron, 4,000 bundles, at $2.65, by Jardine, Matheson & Co. to Hongkong merchant.

Yellow Beeswax, 1,000 piculs, at $1.84, by Hingtai to Canton merchant.

Tin, 50 slabs, at 331.00, by Shun-chuen-shing to travelling merchant.

Brown Sugar, 400 bags, at $4.94, by Wo-lee-yue to travelling merchant.

Brown Sugar, 200 bags, at $4.95, by Wo-lee-yue to travelling merchant.

Brown Sugar, 450 bags, at $5.14, by Woolee-yue to Hongkong merchant.

Sharkfin, 10 piculs, at $30.00, by Yee-wo-cheong to travelling merchant.

Dried Lily Flowers, 10 bags, at $10.00, by Yee-wo-cheong to travelling merchant.

Mushrooms, 25 cases, at $45.00, by Fook-moo-loong to Amoy merchant.

Yellow Wax, 2 cases, at $40.00, by Fook-moo-loong to Canton merchant.

NEWS FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

LOSS OF THE AMERICAN BARQUE "ARTHUR."

Intelligence arrived here on the 23rd inst. of the loss of the American barque *Arthur*, commanded by Captain Crosbie, on the Pratas Shoals, on 18th instant. The *Arthur* was a well-known China trader, and left this port on the 17th instant, for Tientsin, with a general Chinese cargo, and on the 19th instant, at eight o'clock in the evening, she went on shore on the N.E. end of the fatal Shoals, and became a total wreck. The details of the affair, which are to hand, come from the Chief officer and European crew, who arrived here yesterday in the vessel's gig. The report is to the effect that after the vessel made Single Island, she went to the E.S.E. or thereabouts, and at eight in the evening of the 19th instant, when the wind was light, and no sea on, the unfortunate vessel ran easily on the reef, and with very little violence accordingly. Shortly after the barque struck, she began to fill rapidly, and pieces of her bottom floated up alongside. Captain Crosbie, who had his wife on board, began almost immediately to make preparations for leaving his vessel, which it was very evident must soon become a total wreck. Two hours after the barque went on the reef, some fishing boats came alongside, and she drew jumping on deck soon began to take off the hatches and help themselves. The captain, however, continued his preparations, and early in the morning, thinking that after all the sound on the shoal might become the best refuge, he landed a quantity of provisions, and then having in the lifeboat Mrs. Crosbie and himself, the second officer, part of the crew, and his dogs, cat, &c., and in the gig, Chief-officer, two Europeans, and two Chinese seamen, he made for Hongkong. At starting, he took the gig in tow, but shortly after, the rope parted, and the cry was from the lifeboat: "You try to make Hongkong the best way you can, and I will do the same." Sailing after the lifeboat was lost sight of, for she had good sails fitted to her. However, the little party in the gig did not despair of reaching port, until a junk (supposed pirate) was met, and the Chinese commenced to throw out grappling irons to seize the gig. The Chief-officer, naturally thinking that their lives would not be much worth if once got on board the junk, pulled out his revolver and threatened the Chinese, who ceased them to try and catch them. The Europeans in the gig threw their bundles on board the junk and then "sheddaddled" steering, it is believed, a W.N.W. course, and getting near to Single Island again, afterwards coming down the coast, until arrival in this port shortly after half-past twelve o'clock yesterday. The Captain and his wife arrived on Friday night at 12 o'clock, in a junk; whose master forced him to promise $1,000 for the telegrams of later date than those brought on by the English Mail.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

SIR,—The following is a correct version of the circumstances connected with the loss of the American barque *Arthur*, Captain Crosbie, which left this port on the 18th instant, bound for Tientsin.

Tuesday, the 20th instant, the day on which the vessel was lost it was a stormy thick day; a lookout had been kept all day, a man on the fore-top-sail-yard, and was only relieved about one hour before the vessel struck, on account of its being so dark, and a heavy sea running, that it was impossible to discover any signs of a close proximity to the Pratas Shoals. At 7.30 P.M., the vessel struck very heavily on the N.W. portion of the Shoals, and, though every exertion was made to get her off, all efforts proved futile. She commenced to fill very rapidly, the boats were throwed launched and provided with food and water, no distinction being made as to the quality or quantity being put in either of the boats. All hands remained on the vessel until boarded by the Chinese wreckers, which occurred about 7 A.M. on the 21st instant. They immediately commenced their work of pillage and destruction, The first party boarding us were armed only with axes, but the last arrivals were armed with long knives, and were in a very excited condition, but did not molest us. The water was now up to the hatches, and the vessel being so possessed of the wreckers, the captain prepared to leave the ship. At 9 A.M., the mate, with three European sailors and a Chinese Steward were in a large new boat, and the captain, his wife, myself, and six others were in the life-boat. We took the mate's boat in tow until the line parted and it was found impracticable to attempt to continue the above method, on account of the high sea running and perfect inability to manage the two boats in that position. We, therefore, parted, we making sail and the other party pulling oars. We experienced very squally stormy weather during our entire passage, and were very nearly swamped several times by the high cross sea running; but thanks to a merciful Providence we continued our voyage in safety, and would have arrived in this port in our own boat, were forced on board of the junk, with no choice between being murdered and complying with their demands; and, therefore, their desire afterwards to palliate their unlawful acts by kindness towards us does not in any manner relieve them, in my opinion, from trial for *Piracy*.

Hongkong, April 24th, 1869.

THE MURDER AT SHOW-KE-WAN.

ADJOURNED INQUEST.

AN adjourned inquest on the body of Sergeant Mahony, who was murdered at Show-ke-wan on the 18th instant, was held before F. Stewart, Esq., the coroner, at the Magistracy, yesterday afternoon. The same jury attended.

Furoze Shah, P.C. 297, said he was on duty on the morning of the 18th instant, in Show-ke-wan, when he saw a crowd of Chinese, numbering about forty, coming down the village. They had short jackets and trousers. He fixed his bayonet and half cocked his musket, and then went towards the crowd. If Chinese, and twice tried to fire his gun off, without success, but at last he fired, and "one or two" Chinamen fell. He reived a few paces to try and load his musket again, but the crowd surrounded him, and he was knocked down. Seyd Mahomed, the other constable, snapped his musket once, but afterwards fired, and the water police boat came up at that time. (A Chinaman was here introduced). Witness said he was house boy (Chunting-sow), at the station. He was one of the men who speared him. He was sure of it.

Dr. Cochran made a *post mortem* examination on the 18th instant. Deceased had an incised wound on the left side of the front of the chest, penetrating between the third and fourth ribs. Another incised wound went through the seventh and eighth ribs, touching the liver. There was an incised wound on the forehead. The left hand was also wounded. The wounds were sufficient to cause death in a short time. He should think that an instrument, like a blunt knife, would cause the wounds.

The constable, 297, was recalled, and in answer to the jury, said he was about ten yards from the crowd when his first cap missed fire. He first mentioned the horse-coolie's connection with the affair in the boat coming to Hongkong, when he told Seyd Mahomed, and on landing told him again. He told Mr. Deane that day about the horse coolie, but not when he first came out of hospital. He did not like to tell Mr. Deane when he first came out of Hospital, as both the coolie and himself were Government servants. Mr. Deane asked him if he could recognise any one in the affair, and he said "no," he could not."

Mr. Deane explained to the jury that the horse-coolie, now recognised by the constable, had leave for the night, and that he (horse-coolie) stated he was at a temple with three priests all night, and further that he could not hear the noise in the village, on account of the tom-toms.

Examination continued—Knew the coolie about two months, and never had any quarrel. Was obliged to tell Mr. Deane a lie, because if he did not prove his case against the coolie he would get into trouble.

A Chinese watchman who was present when the ruffians entered the village said when he met them they seem frightened him, for he took to his heels, and the marauders threw a couple of stinkpots after him, one of which exploded. From the expressions he heard he believed them to be speaking in the Hok-lo dialect. He saw a police light behind him, and thought it was the European sergeant. He ran towards the water-police shop and met the constable coming ashore. He heard two shots fired, which he thought were fired near where the sergeant was. When he returned to the village with the water-police, they heard groaning, and found the sergeant, whom he helped to take to the boat. The horse-coolie lived at the Sing-tye-loong chandler's shop, which was up the hill. He heard a religious ceremony going on until twelve o'clock at the horse-coolie's house, but it ceased at twelve o'clock. The robbers came at half-past one. Thought the thieves came in a boat, as if they came from behind, down the hill, the dogs would make a great noise. The majority of the thieves were in dark clothes, and had their pants tied round their waists.

The Coroner asked Inspector Annligan if the ammunition had been tried since the affair?

Inspector Annligan said that two days after he tested the muskets of all the constables who carried, and all went off the first time. He could not account for No 297's gun not going off properly, except that the powder in the nipple was damp. The caps issued by him were all waterproof, but still fresh ones sent out. He thought the Sikhs might have old and defective caps in their pouches.

Another watchman, who was with the former one, gave corroborative evidence, except that he denied all knowledge of the horse-coolie, saying he had never before seen the man.

A policeman said he was at the station at the time of the affair, said he was up watching, and the deceased was lying down, when a shot was fired, and the deceased immediately jumped up and ran down to the place. Afterwards he heard two more shots. He saw lights, but saw no thieves. He then roused all the constables and sent them to the scene.

The Coroner then adjourned the inquest for a week, by request.

ADJOURNED INQUEST.

The adjourned inquest on the body of the emigrant, Tsai-a-qui, was resumed on the 24th inst. before F. Stewart Esq., and the same jury.

The deputate, Lum-a-shing, or as he gave his name on the present occasion, Lum-a-sing, who was sworn, said—At dining the morning, gave evidence somewhat similar to that reported in the Police reports. He mentioned being turned out of the "Man-fook-wo-hong-kee," without having his passage paid &c.

Woothye deputate, who represented that he was the man who reminded of "Man-fook-wo" said that in the barracoon he heard the man who brought him from Macao call out Tsai-a-qui. He had been on board the Emigrant ship, but lost his paper, and consequently got no advance, and was sent back to the barracoon. As the Emigrant ship was full, he demanded his passage money, but it was refused, and he was kicked out.

(This witness seemed much excited, and from other symptoms exhibited, it appeared that he was not quite sane.)

Wongsing-fook, market-man to the "Man-fook-wo," said he had not seen much sickness in the house; to the sick he gave gunge and tea. He had seen one man taken out to go to Lee-chee Hospital, but did not know the man's name or disease. He took Tsai-a-qui, nor had he any knowledge of the entry book produced. He never saw men carried out to be laid down in the street, nor had he ever seen persons turned out of the house.

Mr. D. R. Caldwell said he had been employed by Mr. Bank, agent for the Surinam Emigration Company to procure emigrants to go to Surinam. A number of men came in here from time to time to the different houses. On the 10th instant, Dr. Adams and Captain Thomsett went round the house, and selected a number of men to go to Surinam. These men received orders to go on board the ship. Some days after, there was a further and more strict examination on board, when a number of men were rejected and sent on shore again, as unfit for the voyage. On Monday last, the 19th, the Emigration Officer and Dr. Adams examined a further number of men in the different houses, who went on board the same ship. Of the number he who went last on board, a further examination resulted in some being sent on shore, the full complement, 297, going away in the vessel *Ferdinand Braun*. Finding that the coolies were disposed of so quickly in the houses, he stopped them, and ordered the men left in the houses to be brought to him, if they were willing to go away, and he despatched them in the different passage boats. He paid the passages himself, as he gave the coolies money, they would spend it, and lose it in some way, which was undesirable. He gave instructions to the headman of the houses, in case of any being slightly ill, to have them kept separate from the others and attended to, but if they (coolies) became seriously ill to send them to the "E-tsze" hospital where he would be responsible for all expenses. He had known persons come out alive from the "E-tsze" hospital.

The coroner here remarked that the previous day he had visited the "E-tsze," and he never saw such a horrible scene of filth, dirt, and misery in his life; the keepers of the hospital really did not know who was dead and who was alive. One man was lying down, and one of the keepers said he was dead, but on touching the prostrate figure with his foot, a groan from the heart, and that common and filthy expression, which is ever on the tip of a Chinaman's tongue, was given vent to, to surprise at the unfortunate wretch being still alive. The Coroner gave a further description of the place, but the details are not fit for publication, being horrible in the extreme.

Mr. Caldwell continued.—He was not aware that such a state of things existed in the "E-tsze." He did not visit the place, but merely paid for the sick. The witness then went into the details of the system adopted at the emigration-house. He also said that he

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LO SANCIAN.

...her grave of Father ...been undertaken ...ed by the admirers ...ted father, whose ...er of the early his... ...with China and ...th instant. The ...the command of ...chartered for the ...at noon created a ...Company's Wharf ...tions "pilgrims" ...accompanied with ...from the small ...y trunk, tan-box, ...d umbrella. At a ...whistle was blown, ...once in a while ...the departure of ...ber, no one was ...t behind. Un... ...just after leaving ...et in which best... ...side crowding dis... ...er of "pilgrims" ...detracted much ...ward trip. Soon ...ads cleared away, ...nine the *White* ...n the West side ...inched, with a ...overhead, and a ...ide the run down ...of heavy sea in ...the Chinese gun... ...or, and awaiting ...pilgrims." The ...ed in a South ...gkong, distant ...which is called by ...the Portuguese ...nnof the Chinese ...ndsery much as ...g, was the scene ...Father Francis ...ho, after having ...gan proselyting. ...object in view. ...ny unobserved in ...n alone, he was ...request removed ...g a number of ...ed on the 3rd of ...ported by his ...the anchorage ...s was raised ...further sig... ...es, one at the ...f the departed ...bout a hundred ...who on their way ...raised a stone of ...memory, which ...d is said to have ...last a few years ...g discoverable, ...existence, and ...g of the new ...the altar. A ...sainted father, ...to Goa, and ...g have been ...some other ...e erection of a ...of the old, but ...d through, and ...a few years since ...no attention, ...n this spot was ...t ago, and the ...er (more than ...this rendere i ...pletion of this ...y, the 25th, an ...Catholic Mission ...ol erected upon ...large and com... ...built at a dis... ...near to a small ...ll the mission ...ll reside. The ...egalized by a ...ose on shore, ...a merry peal, ...ed gun fired ...ten hour, seen ...ay of Chinese ...e marked indi... ...pilgrims" ...ts were soon ...ide their way ...for the night ...n the crowded ...the prospect of ...fter a walk of ...orrichest moist

SUPREME COURT.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

BEFORE CHIEF-JUSTICE SMALE.

PASSING FORGED NOTES.

Chow-a-to was placed at the bar, charged with having uttered two-five dollars bank notes, which were forged. The history of the case is shortly this. From some information received, Mr. Creagh gave a Sikh constable four marked dollars, with instructions to go to a licensed gambling house and take a man into custody who would be pointed out to him. He went to a gambling house near No. 7 station, and handed the four dollars to a man named Ismail, who went up to the prisoner and handed him the dollars, getting a note in return. The constable then took both men into custody, and on being searched at the station, on the person of the prisoner was found one of the notes and the four dollars. It appears that prisoner had repeatedly come to this man Ismail, who was a watchman, and asked him if he could get rid of some false notes for him, offering a commission if he could.

The notes were a very poor imitation of those of the Chartered Bank.

In defence, prisoner said that he had got the notes from one Lee-a-synne, the man Ismail having said to prisoner if he could get them he would be appointed a detective police officer, and would get great praise. He was giving the notes to Ismail, when he was arrested. He had no witnesses.

The Chief-Justice pointed out to the jury that the prisoner had himself admitted the very thing he was charged with, that is, with having been in possession of a forged note, and he had not in any way accounted for this possession in a satisfactory manner.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty on both counts of the information, that is, with uttering, and with having been unlawfully in possession.

In passing sentence the Chief-Justice remarked that the offence of the prisoner was not so bad as that of Lee-a-synne, who had since been found connected with the manufactory of these notes. It had merely been the agent of this man, but nevertheless he had been guilty of an offence which, in the interests of commerce, demanded a severe sentence, and that the prisoner should be made an example of. The sentence of the court was imprisonment at penal servitude for three years.

SHANGHAI.

The latest intelligence concerning the *Sulamis* is given by the *Evening Courier*, which states that advices have been received from Hankow, dated April 17th, to the effect that A. Baird and Lady Keppel have arrived at that port from the *Sulamis*, together with the secretary and one or two servants. They came down in a house-boat named the *Fanky*, and left the steamer on the 15th instant. One account states that the vessel was on shore when the *Fanky* left, and another that the rudder has been temporarily repaired, and that the steamer was likely to make her way down without assistance. What Sir H. Keppel's intentions are have not transpired. A Chinese traveller, stated he saw the *Opossum* about 10 miles above Ichang.

The *Recorder* states that several political attacks have been recently made on the crew of Manilla-men engaged in dismantling the *Sea Queen*, since time-gun wrecked on the Barren Islands, and that a gunboat was to leave for their assistance. The same paper mentions that on a boat-load of beggars, who had been recently arrested in the settlements, were being deported from the Hongkew side of the Soochow creek, by the directions, it is believed, of the Municipal Council, to the rural districts from which, during the winter months, they had emigrated, they suddenly made an attack on their Malay guard, and would, in all probability, have inflicted serious injury on them but for the timely approach of some Europeans. Many of the beggars made their escape, only one whom, it is understood has been arrested.

An unusual accident, which happily did not result in anything more serious than a fright and a good ducking, happened on April 22nd to a gentleman who was exercising on the French Bund at Shanghai, on a Velocipede. Losing control, it seems, over the machine, he was precipitated with his foot entangled in the spoke into the river near Kin-lo-yuen Wharf. A quarter-master of one of the steamers witnessing the affair attached himself to a rope, and jumping in saved the unlucky velocipedestrian.

CHEFOO

The Shanghai *Evening Courier* learns that Mr Markham and the party who accompanied him in his expedition "across country," received marked civility from the country people, but were not treated with much courtesy by the Mandarins and Magistrates. In one place orders appear to have been received to oppose the progress of all foreigners, or at least to withhold from them the conveniences which are commonly extended to travellers of official rank. Mr. Consul Markham confirms the reports previously given of the fertility of the province of Shantung, and appears to think the reports of its vast mineral wealth, understated rather than exaggerated. The cultivation of silk is said to be extensively carried on in the Northern Province, and special care is being taken with the mulberry trees.

The most gratifying incident of the tour seems to have been the visit to the tomb of Confucius at Kio-fou-hien, where the Duke, who is recognised as the present head of the family, behaved with marked politeness to the foreign visitors, accompanying them almost to the door of his mansion, and exhibiting a distinct contrast in his address to that of the petty magistrates at the other villages and cities.

The descendant of the "Teacher of ten thousand Ages" is described as having the manners of a refined and cultivated native scholar, but as differing from his numerous kindreds, who are remarkably handsome well-made men, in that he labours under a slight physical deformity.

KIUKIANG.

A correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News*, mentions that while the Commissioner of Customs was walking in company of a friend outside the city walls, they were audibly greeted with a heavy volley of stones, pelted down upon them by the crowd on the top of the wall. One stone (which happily only grazed his leg,) would have undoubtedly deprived Mr. Hart of one of his worthiest coadjutors, and it filled on Mr. Drew's head. He and his companion escaped injury by seizing a lusty native, whom they forced to walk at their side, and under this escort, they ran the gauntlet of the stones in safety.

JAPAN.

The P. & O. steamer *Sunda*, brings dates to the 16th instant. The currency question has attracted considerable public attention and discussion. The following is from the *Japan Times*:

Our statements last month respecting the Daimios' cession of their independent rights to the central government, we can now confirm in every particular. Many other Daimios have joined the movement, and there is no doubt that by the approaching Council at Yedo, it will be ratified and extended to the whole of Japan. Satsuma has been already invested at Kagosima with the rank from the Mikado of Governor of his province, yielding that of Daimio with all its sovereign and separate rights. The *Diodes* was chartered at Kobe to take down the Mikado's envoy, who was received in Satsuma's capital with imperial honours, the ceremonial observed being the same as if his Majesty himself had been presented. The investiture took place on the 26th ultimo.

The Mikado will be in Yedo about the 3rd of May, and as we have before mentioned, his stay will be a very lengthened one, if not altogether permanent. Great preparations are being made for his reception, and for that of the Princes and Nobles of Japan summoned to the Council. The city will resume much of its ancient splendour, and the people are proportionately delighted. The pleasure grounds within the inner moat, immediately around the Imperial Palace, were thrown open to the people for three days last week, and between 70,000 and 80,000 are said to have visited them. The crush was so great that some women and children were killed.

A terrible accident has happened in Yedo harbour. The str. *Kowaiee*, one of the recent Government purchases, was taking in some powder, when, no precautions being taken on board native craft, a spark from the pipe of one of the workmen fell on a damaged keg and the whole exploded. The vessel sank immediately, her bottom being blown out, and her crew, about 130 in number, were in the air or water. Twelve men were never seen again, and eleven were picked up so frightfully mangled that little, if any hopes are entertained of their recovery. Dr. Willis, whose absence on leave from H.M. Consular Service while establishing a Government Hospital in Yedo, we lately recorded, has them in charge. Others of the crew are more or less injured.

TRANSIT DUES.

Sir Rutherford Alcock has addressed to the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce, through the Consul, a very interesting despatch upon the above subject. Taking the letter from Mr. B. Robertson, recently commented upon in these columns as a basis, the British Minister reviews the general bearing of the question at considerable length, carefully recapitulating the various arguments which have been adduced on the subject, and leaning towards the conclusion that the inland exactions are not so large as has been represented. He admits however, that if not excessive or prohibitory, the taxes levied may be vexatious, arbitrary, or consequently variable and uncertain, which are great evils in themselves and serious impediments to trade. And so levied, if not distinctly contrary to treaty, about which there may be a question, they constitute a legitimate subject of complaint. He states that the stipulations in the Treaties as to inland dues was not that foreign goods should be exempt from the local taxes levied on native goods, but that they should pay nothing more; but he draws a distinction between the transit dues and the *Likin*, holding that, while foreign goods are, as regards the former, exempt from any tax beyond the 2½ per cent. commuted transit dues provided for by the Treaty, they are liable to all taxes locally leviable at the place where they are sold. Resume up the various suggestions made by the memorialists, as follows: I.—From the Shanghai Chamber that the 2½ per cent. should be payable at the market in which the Export Produce is bought or imports sold, in place of paying it, as at present, into the Foreign Customs. II.—The view of more than one of the foreign Ministers to leave it to the foreign merchant to make his own arrangements wherever inland dues are demanded. III.—The proposition of a "Mixed commission," which has during the past year had all these questions under consideration at Peking, for a modification of the Treaty by which the transit commutation dues of 2½ per cent. should be made payable at the port of entry through the Maritime Customs, at the same time as Import Duties, and cease to be optional. IV.—The suggestion of the Hongkong Chamber to collect the Dues Inland by the extension of the Foreign Inspectorate. Sir Rutherford observes that the suggestion of the mixed commission, which, in consideration of such payment, will "free the goods not only in transit, but wherever found for distribution or consumption, from all further charges or taxes whatever their kind or denomination and whether in Chinese or foreign hands" realizes the wish of the Shanghai Chamber in one important particular. With regard to the other propositions, he points out various difficulties in the way of their adoption.

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tf 712 Hongkong, 10th April, 1869.

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BEG to inform the public of Hongkong that they have established themselves as TAILORS & GENERAL OUTFITTERS, on the premises hitherto occupied by Messrs. LADAGE, OELKE & Co.

Having secured the services of an experienced European Cutter, and also having received per late arrivals a very superior stock of NEW GOODS, of the latest patterns, they are prepared to meet all the requirements of the present season.

A large stock of Ready-made CLOTHING, of the lastest Fashions, always on hand.

KOSS & Co.,

Queen's Road Central.

tf 209 Hongkong, 27th January, 1868.

FOR SALE, ex "*Falcon*," *and other arrivals.*

SHIP CHANDLERY, CORDAGE, &c.

Cross Brothers' Bolt ROPE, sizes from 1¼ to 4½ inches.

Hohls' best Russian ROPE, assorted, from ½ to 9 inches.

Hohls' RATTLINE STUFF, SEIZINGS, MARLINE, HOUSELINE, HAMBROLINE, LOG and LEAD LINES, HEMP PACKING, for engine purpose.

Patent and other BLOCKS.

Peacock's Patent COMPOSITION.

Hubbuck's Boiled and Raw LINSEED OIL.

10 Cons Hubbuck's PAINTS, as best White ZINC, White LEAD, Red LEAD, Black, Green, Blue, Yellow and Brown PAINTS.

Patent DRYERS, Copal VARNISH, Prussian BLUE, VERMILLION, and other Fancy PAINTS.

100 Dozen Ground BRUSHES, and Sash TOOLS.

Spirits of TURPENTINE.

English and American Cut NAILS, assorted.

Belgian Rose NAILS, assorted.

BUNTING, assorted Colors.

CANVAS, Extra Navy, Merchant Navy, and Longflax, assorted Invoices.

Hamburg Prime Mess BEEF.

ditto ditto PORK.

Very Superior BUTTER, in Kegs.

Also,

At LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.

tf 603 Hongkong, 27th March, 1869.

NOW LANDING,

And FOR SALE, ex "*Falcon*."

OCTOBER BREW BASS'S ALE, in Hogsheads and Kilderkins.

Burke's Genuine Dublin STOUT, in pints and quarts.

Dean's ALE, by Cameron and Saunders, pints and quarts.

Barclay & Co.'s PORTER, in Hogsheads.

Heidsick's Dry Monopole CHAMPAGNE, in quarts and pints.

Heidsick's Grand vin ROYALE.

Kinahan's LL WHISKEY, in bottle.

Old Scotch Malt do. do.

Swinne and Board's OLD TOM Ginger BRANDY, and Orange BITTERS.

Duff and Gordon's Pale SHERRY.

Very Fine Old PORT.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.

tf 610 Hongkong, 27th March, 1869.

NOW READY.

THE HOUSEHOLD COMPANION AND STUDENT'S FIRST ASSISTANT.

By Dr. DAVAN, with many Additions, Corrections, and Dr. WILLIAMS' Orthography.

PRICE: In Paper Wrappers, ... $1.50

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Apply at the *Daily Press* Office.

J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE and PORTER.

DAVID CORSAR & SONS' Merchant Navy Navy Boiled Long Flax Grown } CANVAS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

tf 1130 Hongkong, 11th May, 1867.

FOR SALE.

GALVANIZED Corrugated SHEET IRON.

Muntz's YELLOW METAL SHEATHING 20 to 26 oz.

Gonnock Blasted and Boiled CANVAS, Navy and 6 oz.

Bolt ROPE, 2½ inch. to 4½ inch.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.

tf 1361 Hongkong, 1st September, 1868.

FOR SALE.

T. AND D. HENRY'S Best Government Navy CANVAS, constantly on hand.

At LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.

tf 2352 Hongkong, 15th December, 1868.

FOR SALE.

2,000 Gallons refined first quality Castor OIL, suitable for medicinal and Machinery purposes.

In cases of 4 tins of 40 lbs. each tin net.

A. L. AGABEG, Jr.

tf 675 Hongkong, 6th April, 1869.

ALWAYS on hand, all kinds of best COALS for Sale.

For Particulars, apply to KWONG-KEE & Co.,

No. 13, Scott Lane.

6m 431 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869.

FOR SALE A Set of Double PONY HARNESS very complete, and handsome, best London make, Price $40.

Apply at the Office of this Paper.

THATHAM'S BRANDY in 1 doz. cases.

" SHERRY " 3 "

" PORT " 2 "

" CLARET " 1 "

BIELLY & Co.

FOR SALE.

THE desirable PROPERTY on *Queen's Road*, lately occupied by Messrs. SMITH, KENNEDY & Co.

For particulars, apply to SMITH, ARCHER & Co.

2932 Hongkong, 10th December, 1867.

FOR SALE.

MANILA HARD WOOD, consisting of MOLAVES, BANABAS, ARANGAS, and other descriptions. Apply to LANDSTEIN & Co.

tf 1502 Hongkong, 12th August 1868.

SELLING OFF! SELLING OFF RETIRING FROM BUSINESS.

A. ULLMANN begs respectfully to inform his friends and the Public of Hongkong, that he is selling off his valuable Stock of Clothing, Fancy Goods, Jewellery, Watches, Chains, and a large assortment of Perfumery, including an assortment of the newest Articles, per *Corsa*, at a great reduction, in consequence of his retiring from business.

Nos. 96 and 98, Hanoar European,

Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

tf 1794 Hongkong, 21st September, 1868.

For Sale.

ALEXANDRE BOYRE

BEGS to inform the inhabitants of Hongkong, he has received by French Mail, New GOODS for the Season.

DRESSES.

Black & Colored SILKS and Fancy DRESSES.

White MUSLINS.

Plain and Fancy Printed CAMBRICS.

WHITE PIQUES.

Trimmed White Muslin and Tulle BODIES, for Evening and Morning wear.

GRASS HOLLAND, for Morning Dresses.

Black Lace JACKETS.

FRENCH FOULARDS for Dresses.

FRENCH BLACK CASHMERE.

FRENCH BLACK MERINOS.

FRENCH IMPERIAL CLOTH.

English Silk and Woollen PARAMATTAS.

Also,

A large Assortment of RIBBONS and Fancy TRIMMINGS, for Dresses.

LADIES' STOCKINGS, English and French.

A large Selection of FANCY CLOTHS, For GENTLEMEN'S SUITS.

GENTLEMEN'S FELT HATS.

GENTLEMEN'S FRENCH SHIRTS and COLLARS.

LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S GAUZE UNDER VESTS.

SHEETINGS.

ENGLISH WOOLLEN BLANKETS, and COUNTERPANES.

FRENCH SPRINGS for Beds, and CANOPIES.

The DRESS-MAKING being under the management of an EXPERIENCED DRESSMAKER, who has great taste.

French and English PERFUMERY, from the best LONDON AND PARIS HOUSES.

Also,

Corner of Wellington and D'Aguilar Streets.

tf 683 Hongkong, 7th April, 1869.

FOR SALE.

CITRIC ACID.

TARTARIC ACID.

BICARB. OF SODA.

in Kegs of 1 Cwt. each. Apply to KRUMMENACHER & Co.

6w 719 Hongkong, 12th April, 1869.

FOR SALE, Ex "*Falcon*."

PRIME YORK HAMS and CHEDDAR CHEESE.

Superior Pale SHERRY and Old PORT.

Also,

Pine PALE ALE, in Hhds. and Kilderkins.

Bottled ALES & STOUT. CHAMPAGNE.

And,

Shipchandler's STORES, PAINTS, OILS, ROPE, TWINE, CANVAS, Wire ROPE, HOOKS, THIMBLES, HANKS, Preserved MEATS and SOUPS, VEGETABLES, and other GOODS. Apply to FAWCETT & Co.

tf 645 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

KELUNG COAL COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to supply Steamers and Vessels with the best FORMOSA COAL at current rates, or to deliver the same under contract at any port in China.

The company having always a large quantity in store, vessels will not be subjected to any unnecessary delay.

DODD & Co., *Agents.*

tf 281 Kelung, 6th January, 1869.

FORMOSA COAL DEPOT AT KILUNG

HAS on hand a large stock of Coal of *best quality*, and is prepared to supply Steamers and Sailing vessels with quick dispatch at Current rates, or deliver the same under Contract at Hongkong, and any Treaty port in China.

The Depôt, drawing supplies from the best mines only, intends to provide a superior article, *free of the Surface Coal*, that has hitherto prejudiced Consumers.

MILISOH & Co., *Agents.*

tf 935 Kilung, 2nd May, 1868.

PRAYA HOTEL,

Praya Central, (near the P. & O. Co.'s Wharf).

THE Proprietor in opening the above establishment hope by strict attention to business to merit a share of the Public Patronage.

Board and Lodging, on reasonable terms.

Table d'hote every day, at 6 A.M., 1 P.M., and 7 P.M. Single Meals may be had on the shortest notice, at all hours. Wines and Spirits of the best quality.

N.B.—Two first-class American Billiard Tables.

FRANCIS & SIMONS, *Proprietors*

tf 407 Hongkong, 26th February, 1869.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. Tennent, Glasgow, and Messrs. David Corsar & Sons Arbroath.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

tf 119 Hongkong, January, 1867.

SEAMEN'S HOSPITAL, HONGKONG.

TRUSTEES—

The Colonial-Secretary.

The Honourable W. KESWICK, Esq.

GEO. HEARD, Esq.

The Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Company, (ex officio).

W. STANLEY ADAMS, M.D., *Resident Surgeon.*

Mr. YOUNG, *House Surgeon.*

W. PATERSON, Esq., *Hon. Treasurer.*

—THERIS OF ADMISSION—

1st Class (Private Room), per day, $3.00

2nd " (2 Bedsteads, 1 Room), " " $2.00

3rd " (Public Wards) " " $1.00

These charges are inclusive of all Medicines and Attendances, but exclusive of Wines or Articles not in the recognised Dietary Table.

All orders for Admission to Hospital must be countersigned by some responsible Person or Persons resident in the Colony.

(Patients are also admitted on Deposits at the following rates, renewable one day previous to the amount deposited having been exceeded.

1st Class ..... $60.

2nd " ..... $40.

3rd " ..... $20.

By order, W. PATERSON, *Treasurer*

tf 21 Hongkong 3rd January, 1868.

L. FRICKER & Co.,

SHIPCHANDLERS SAILMAKERS, GENERAL STOREKEEPERS, AND COMMISSION AGENTS,

tf 422 QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG. [Ag]

Post-Office Notifications.

A mail will close.

For Saigon.—Per ship *Ying-tze*, at 4 p.m. today, the 28th instant.

For Shanghai.—Per Messageries Imperiales Str. *Phasa*, at 7 a.m. to-morrow, the 29th inst.

For Yokohama.—Per Messageries Imperiales Str. *Labourdonnais*, at 7 a.m. to-morrow, the 29th instant.

MAILS BY THE "*CHINA*."—

The Contract Packet "*CHINA*" will be dispatched with the usual Mails for Europe, &c. on THURSDAY, the 29th inst., at 9 A.M. and the Post-Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters. Letters for Registration, Newspapers, Books, &c., until 8 P.M., on the 28th instant. Letters, &c., may be posted in the night box from 8 P.M. on the 28th instant until 7 A.M. on the following morning.

All Letters posted between 7 and 8 A.M. on the 29th instant, will be chargeable, in addition to the usual postage, with a *Late Fee* of 18 cents.

The Latest time for posting Letters at this Office is 8 A.M., and for Newspapers, Books, or Patterns 7 A.M. on the 29th instant.

Further, late letters (but letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom *viâ Marseilles*, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet from 8.30 to 8.50 A.M., on payment of a *Late Fee* of 48 cents each in addition to the postage, after which no letters can be received.

Sealed Boxes containing the correspondence of Box Holders will be received at the window set apart for the purpose on the East side of the building.

All correspondence for places to which prepayment is compulsory must be prepaid in Hongkong Postage Stamps.

Insufficiently Stamped Letters addressed to the United Kingdom will be sent on, charged with a fine of One Shilling in addition to the Postage.

Letters posted after 7 A.M. on the 29th instant will not be forwarded, unless the *Late Fee* as well as the postage is prepaid.

Letters insufficiently stamped or unstamped addressed to places to which they cannot be forwarded unpaid, will be op

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing under the style of ALT & Co., in Japan, and ALT, HOOPER & Co., in London, was dissolved on the 31st December last, by mutual consent.

Mr. W. J. ALT and Mr. RICHARD LINDAU will continue the firm in Japan, under the style of ALT & Co.

Mr. JOHN R. HOOPER has established himself under the style of JOHN R. HOOPER & Co., at 52, Great St. Helens, London, and will act as our special agent there.

ALT & Co.

1m 836 Hiogo, Osaka, 10th April, 1869.

MR. E. GROBIEN has this day been admitted a partner in our firm.

SANDER & Co.

1m 805 Hongkong, 21st April, 1869.

NOTICE.

MR. JOHN GERRARD will act as our Attorney in China, from this date.

FRED. M. HARSANT.
GEORGE A. F. NORRIS.

1m 793 Hongkong, 20th April, 1869.

NOTICE.

IN connection with Messrs. R. DRUNJEESHAW & Co., of Bombay, and Messrs. FRAMJEE HORMUSJEE & Co., of Shanghai, we have this day commenced business at this place, as Merchants and General Commission Agents.

Our firm consists of Mr. ROSTOMJEE DHUNJESHAW and Mr. FRAMJEE HORMUSJEE, and Mr. DARABJEE MUNCHERJEE is authorized to sign in.

FRAMJEE HORMUSJEE & Co.

Hollywood Road, No. 7.
Hongkong, 20th April, 1869. 1m 790

MR. JOHN FAIRBAIRN and Mr. JOHN SAMUEL COX will sign our firm, per procuration, from this date.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

3m 783 Hongkong, 15th April, 1869.

NOTICE

I HAVE established myself at Kobe and Osaka, as Commission Merchant and General Agent.

HENRY LUCAS.

tf 773 Hongkong, 17th April, 1869.

NOTICE.

WE have this day admitted Mr. BENJAMIN E. GALL as a Partner in our firm.

FAWCETT & Co.

tf 643 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

NOTICE.

MR. D. O. CLARK retires from our firm, and Mr. J. MURRAY FORBES and Mr. E. D. BARBOUR are admitted partners from this date.

RUSSELL & Co.

6m 12 China, 1st January, 1869.

THE Undersigned having arrived from Bombay, has established himself as Merchant and Agent, under the Firm and style of HAJEE MEEREZA MOHMED ALLY & Co.

HAJEE MEEREZA MOHMED ALLY.

Aberdeen Street

1m 680 Hongkong, 6th April, 1869.

MR. E. G. RAY'S interest and responsibility in our firm ceased on the 31st day of December, 1868.

RAY & Co.

1m 639 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

THE Undersigned hereby intimates that he has this day received the appointment of SURVEYOR TO FRENCH LLOYDS, under date of December 22nd, 1868.

ROBT. McMURDO.

tf 73 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

THE business heretofore carried on by the undersigned, will, from this date, be continued under the Firm and Style of FERZABHOY AMEEZEEBHOY, and all outstanding accounts by the undersigned will be settled, paid, and received by the above Firm.

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1m 635 Hongkong, 31st March, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM NEILSON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last.

Mr. TOBIAS PIM, Mr. WILLIAM NIEBET CLIMSTED, and Mr. H. SEYMOUR GRABY, are authorized to sign our Firm in Hongkong and China from this date.

OLYPHANT & Co.

tf 1961 Hongkong, 6th October, 1868.

NOTICE.

MR. LEONARDO NORONHA has been admitted a Partner in our firm from the 1st instant.

NORONHA & SONS.

tf 130 Hongkong, 14th January, 1869.

FROM this date Mr. GEORGE E. LANZ will act as Agent of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this port.

GEO. F. BOWMAN.

tf 526 Hongkong, 15th March, 1869.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day established myself as a Public Accountant, Average Adjuster, and General Commission Agent.

C. LANGDON-DAVIES.

tf 1243 Hongkong, 1st July, 1868.

NOTICE

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. EDWIN HENRY HOW in our Firm ceased on the 31st December, 1868.

Referring to the following notice of change in the Firm, the remaining Partner, Mr. W. P. GALTON, is authorized to settle all outstanding accounts.

E. H. HOW & Co.

tf 658 Foochow, March, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE business hitherto carried on by Messrs. E. H. How & Co., was on the 1st January, amalgamated with that of Mr. R. R. WESTALL; and will be continued under the style or Firm of WESTALL, GALTON & Co.

tf 659 Foochow, March, 1869.

NOTICE.

MR. WILLIAM MAUNSELL REEVES is authorised to sign our Firm, per procuration.

WESTALL, GALTON & Co.

tf 660 Foochow, March, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. M. G. HOLMES in our firm ceased on the 1st instant.

HOLMES, WADMAN & Co.

1m 625 Chefoo, 17th March, 1869.

NOTICE.

MR. C. J. H. SCHRÖDER is authorised to sign our firm per procuration from this date.

SCHWANBECK & THIEL.

tf 2246 Shiaou, 14th November, 1868.

PATERSON & HANDLEY, HOUSE & SHIP PLUMBERS, COPPER and ZINC WORKERS, and GAS FITTERS, 16, *Queen's Road West*, And ACHEONG'S YARD, *Praya West*. tf 2235 Hongkong, 1st October, 1867.

FAWCETT & Co.,
SHIPCHANDLERS, GENERAL STORE-KEEPERS, SAILMAKERS, WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS, AND COMMISSION AGENTS, WYNDHAM STREET, HONGKONG. tf 544 April 1st, 1868.

NOTICE.

RENTS AND ACCOUNTS COLLECTED with despatch, and DISTRAINT WARRANTS FOR RENT issued and executed.

SECURITY IS REQUIRED.

THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
53, Wyndham Street.

tf 338 Hongkong, 18th February, 1868.

GABB & Co.,
NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND OSACA, COMMISSION AND GENERAL MERCHANTS. [illegible] [Or 12

INGLIS & Co.,
NAGASAKI, JAPAN, SHIPCHANDLERS AND GENERAL STORE-KEEPERS.

Fullest assortment at the lowest Prices. [illegible] [Or 12

GEORGE GLASSE,
(FIVE YEARS MANAGER TO KINSFORD & Co., PICCADILLY, LONDON, AND 28, PLACE VENDOME, PARIS),
ENGLISH AND FOREIGN CHEMIST, VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG,
SHIPS' MEDICINE-CHESTS SUPPLIED AND REFITTED.

tf 2036 Hongkong, 3rd September, 1867.

Houses, Lands, Tenements, &c

TO LET.

TO LET,
With immediate possession.

TWO commodious two-storied Granite GODOWNS, at Wanchi, (adjoining the Union Dock Company's timber yard), on which property, also, STORAGE can be had at moderate terms.

For particulars, apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

tf 810 Hongkong, 27th April, 1869.

TO LET,
(With immediate possession.)

SEVERAL Strong commodious GODOWNS, very conveniently situated on Marine Lot No. 63, between Messrs. JOHN BURD & Co.'s premises and Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s Wharf.

For Particulars, apply to

A. McLEOD,
At Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

tf 829 Hongkong, 26th April, 1869.

TO LET.

THREE HOUSES, in that very desirable locality "Seymour Terrace." Apply to

THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
53, Wyndham Street.

1m 830 Hongkong, 26th April, 1869.

TO LET,
In Caine Road.

THAT Newly erected semi-detached HOUSE, corner of Shelley Street, containing 8 Rooms, Bath Rooms, Stabling, Garden, &c., &c., with fine view of the harbour. Apply to

THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
53, Wyndham Street.

1m 831 Hongkong, 26th April, 1869.

TO LET,
(With immediate possession),

THE HOUSE, No. 31, *Wyndham Street.* Apply to

J. A. DE CARVALHO.

tf 833 Hongkong, 26th April, 1869.

TO RENT.—A large, dry and well ventilated GODOWN, of 1,500 tons capacity, in *Queen's Road Central*, or storage at moderate rates.

RAY & Co.

1m 737 Hongkong, 13th April, 1869.

TO LET.

TWO OFFICES in the Hongkong Hotel. Apply for further information at the Hongkong Hotel Office.

tf 648 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

TO LET,
With possession from 15th April.

THE Desirable Commodious family Residence No. 11, *Arbuthnot Road*, at present occupied by the undersigned.

For particulars, apply to

GEO. F. MACLEAN.

tf 607 Hongkong, 27th March, 1869.

TO LET.

THE two Houses, in *Robinson Road*, South-west of the *Albany*, lately in the occupation of the War Department.

For particulars, apply to

GEO. F. MACLEAN.

tf 608 Hongkong, 27th March, 1869.

TO LET.
From the 1st March, 1869.

THAT large and commodious house No. 14, *Gough-street*, at present occupied by Messrs. EDULJEE FRAMJEE, SONS & Co.

Apply to

J. A. DE CARVALHO.

tf 271 Hongkong, 3rd February, 1869.

TO LET.
With Possession on the 1st May Next.

THOSE very desirable Business Premises, situated in the *Queen's Road*, and extending to the Praya, at present occupied by Messrs. BOWRA & Co.

This property can be divided into three portions, viz: in the Praya is detached, and contains extensive Godowns in the ground and middle floors, with private residence on the upper floor, and separate entrance thereto.

The portion abutting on the *Queen's Road*, from its very central position, is admirably adapted for a Shop or Store, having Godowns on the basement floor, and Dwelling Apartment on the upper floor.

The central portion consists of two Blocks of Buildings, each two storied, and suitable for Offices and Godowns.

For Particulars, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

tf 426 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869.

TO LET.

WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.—That desirable Bungalow situated at Pokfoolam, and known as *Belmont*. Apply to

GILMAN & Co.

tf 425 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869.

TO LET.

A CONVENIENTLY Situated HOUSE in *Chancery Lane*. Rent moderate.

Apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

tf 1395 Hongkong, 6th October, 1868.

TO LET.

HOUSES, commodious in every respect, in that healthy and desirable locality, viz., *Mosque Terrace*. Apply to

JOHN GERRARD.

tf 283 Hongkong, 4th February, 1869.

LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.

THE Undersigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise in their own Boats, and to receive the same on Storage in first class GRANITE GODOWNS on moderate terms.

ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.

tf Hongkong, 4th March, 1867.

TO LET.

TWO HOUSES on *Carlton Terrace*, Spring Gardens, with or without Godowns. Rent moderate. Apply to

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.

tf 2061 Hongkong, 6th September, 1867.

TO LET.
With immediate possession.

THE HOUSE and OFFICES, No. 4, *Gough Street*, lately occupied by Messrs. A. WILKINSON & Co. Apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

tf 1957 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

TO LET.

FOR a term of years, with early possession, those desirable premises in Bank Buildings situated between the Agra Bank and Comptoir d'Escompte, at late in the occupation of the Bank of Hindustan, China, and Japan. The principal building is very suitable for division into Offices or Chambers.

For further particulars, apply to

GILMAN & Co.

tf 697 Hongkong, 17th April, 1867.

TO LET.

LARGE Airy Rooms—Furnished or Unfurnished. Apply to

A. MILLAR.

tf 1926 Hongkong, 10th October, 1868.

CLUB CHAMBERS, D'AGUILAR STREET

A FEW Sets of these desirable Chambers are now vacant, and can be had on reasonable terms. Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

tf 2147 Hongkong, 14th November, 1868.

TO LET,
With immediate possession.

TWO *Two-storied* Granite Godowns, at *Wanchi*, adjoining the Timber Yard of the UNION DOCK COMPANY. Apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

tf 2108 Hongkong, 24th November, 1868.

TO BE LET.

THE very desirable business premises lately occupied by Messrs. LYALL, STILL & Co., a portion of which are now occupied by Messrs. RUSSELL & Co.—with large and commodious dwelling-house and extensive Godowns on the *Praya*.

For full Particulars, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

tf 2334 Hongkong, 15th December, 1868.

HOUSES TO LET.

IN various Parts of Hongkong. A list of HOUSES *with size, locality and terms* can be seen at No. 53, *Wyndham Street*.

THOS. W. BARRINGTON.

tf 642 Hongkong, 11th March, 1867.

TO LET.

TWO Commodious HOUSES, situated in *Spring Gardens*, possessing a thorough view of the harbour. Apply to

D. NOWROJEE,
Opposite to ORIENTAL BANK.

tf 291 Hongkong, 5th February, 1869.

To Let.

TO LET.

A BEDROOM, with Bath Room attached, furnished or unfurnished, with or without board, in *Elgin Street*. Address K.K., *Daily Press* Office.

7d 815 Hongkong, 23rd April, 1869.

TO LET.

A DESIRABLE Granite GODOWN, at *Wanchi*, convenient to the water.

For particulars, apply to

OLYPHANT & Co.

tf 771 Hongkong, 17th April, 1869.

TO LET.

NO. 8, *Pechili Terrace*, with immediate possession. Apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

tf 772 Hongkong, 17th April, 1869.

TO LET.

THE PREMISES at present occupied by the Undersigned as a Store.

Possession on the 1st JUNE NEXT.

THOS. HUNT & Co.

tf 726 Hongkong, 12th April, 1869.

TO LET.

THE upper part of the house, No. 94, Queen's Road Central, with very airy Rooms, Verandah, &c. suitable for a Family.

Also,

2 Rooms below, suitable for Offices. Apply to

WM. SCHMIDT & Co.

tf 674 Hongkong, 5th April, 1869.

NOTICE.—TO LET.

THE desirable PREMISES on the *Queen's Road*, lately in the occupation of the ASIATIC BANK.

For particulars, apply to

SMITH, ARCHER & Co.

tf 929 Hongkong, 19th May, 1868.

TO LET.

ONE FLOOR of a HOUSE in *Queen's Road*, well situated.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.

tf 591 Hongkong, 24th March, 1869.

TO LET.

OFFICES, either furnished or unfurnished, situate on the Ground-floor in Bank Buildings, immediately opposite the New "HONGKONG HOTEL."

For particulars apply on the premises, to

EDMUND SHARP,
Solicitor.

tf 1109 Hongkong, 16th June, 1868.

Insurances.

NOTICE

BRITISH AND FOREIGN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Insurance Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine risks at Current Rates. Policies can be made payable at all the principal ports throughout the world.

MORGAN LAMBERT & Co.,
Agents.

tf 2113 Hongkong, 7th November, 1868.

NOTICE

QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 "	¾ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding	6 "	¾ "
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.,
Agents the Queen Insurance Company.

tf 954 Hongkong, 22nd May, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $80,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored thereon.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

tf Hongkong, 24th August, 1864.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurance, viz.—

Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from town, and their contents.	½ per cent
Other dwelling Houses, used strictly as such, and their contents.	¾ per cent
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents.	1 per cent

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Agents Imperial Fire Insurance Company

tf 864 Hongkong, 7th March, 1865.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

FOR insuring Houses and other Buildings, Goods, Wares, Merchandise, Manufacturing and Farming Stock, Ships in Port, Harbours, or Dock, and the Cargoes of such Ships; also, Ships Building and Repairing; Barges and other Vessels on Navigable Rivers and Canals, and Goods on board such Vessels throughout Great Britain and Ireland, and in FOREIGN COUNTRIES, FROM LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of $60,000 on any one First Class Risk.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

FORBES & Co.'S CONSTITUENTS INSURANCE COMPANY,
AND
BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Companies, are prepared to accept risks on the usual terms.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

tf 399 Hongkong, 26th February, 1868.

NOTICE.

IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ of the annual rate
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 "	¼ do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding	6 "	¼ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.

tf 675 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.

INCORPORATED 1859.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks and issue Policies at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

tf 1351 Hongkong, 7th June, 1867.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine risks at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

tf 471 Hongkong, 6th March, 1868.

ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

ESTABLISHED 1838.

CAPITAL, £500,000.

MANAGING AGENTS IN CHINA,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co
HONGKONG.
MEDICAL REFEREES,
IVOR MURRAY, Esq., M.D.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Managing Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept risks and issue Policies on Life Assurances.

For further particulars, forms of proposals &c., apply to

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Managing Agents in China.

tf 1416 Hongkong, 15th June, 1867.

Insurances.

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST, A.D. 1720.

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The undersigned are prepared to issue Policies of the CORPORATION of the LONDON ASSURANCE, payable either here, in LONDON, at any of the above-named Agencies; and also at

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

tf 146 Hongkong, 21st January, 1868.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION

LIFE ASSURANCES.

THE Undersigned are authorised to issue Life Policies for sums not exceeding £5,000.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

tf 1950 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

NOTICE.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE following rates will in future be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ per cent.
Above one month, and not exceeding	3 "	¾ "
Above three months, and not exceeding	6 "	¾ "
Above six months, the full annual rate.		

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

tf 687 Hongkong, 8th April, 1868.

NOTICE

QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 "	¾ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding	6 "	¾ "
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

tf 698 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 "	¾ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding	6 "	¾ "
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

tf 698 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

tf 1958 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above CORPORATION are prepared to grant FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE on the usual terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

tf 3025 Hongkong, 27th December, 1867.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having received extended limits from THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY, are now authorised to issue Policies against FIRE as follows, viz:—

On any one first-class Building, or on Goods stored therein—in Hongkong, $80,000; in Macao $45,000.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company of Liverpool.

tf 698 Hongkong, 17th June, 1864.

REDUCTION.

In the rate of premium for
FIRE INSURANCE.

THE Undersigned have (as already intimated in their Circular dated 14th October last,) received authority from the Secretary of the Royal Insurance Company to reduce the rate of Premium under certain circumstances, on private residences and on Furniture; and effects therein contained.

In case of Dwelling Houses removed from the town the rate of premium will be three-quarters per cent. in place of one per cent. per annum as hitherto charged, and in cases of Residences so situated being detached or semi-detached the rate will be further reduced to one-half per cent.

The Royal's annual rates for Fire Insurance on the various classes of Buildings and their contents will therefore remain as follows until further notice, *viz:*—

Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses (removed from the town) and their contents.		½ per cent.
Other Dwelling Houses (similarly situated) and their contents		¾ percent.
Offices and Godowns and their contents.		1 percent.
First Class China Houses and their contents.		1½ per cent.
Other Risks by Special arrangement.		

ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

tf 714 Hongkong, 8th November, 1865.

AMICABLE INSURANCE OFFICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Insurance Office, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS, and issue Policies on any First-class Sailing Vessels or Steamers on the usual terms, payable in case of loss, in China, Singapore, Calcutta, Bombay or London.

ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.

tf Hongkong, 6th October, 1863

NOTICE.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 "	¾ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding	6 "	¾ "
Above 6 months, the full annual rate of		1 "

ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

tf 574 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

For one month		½ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding three months	3	do. do.
Above 3 months, and not exceeding six months	6	do. do.
Above six months the full annual rate.		

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents, Alliance Fire Assurance Company.

tf 678 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

Insurances.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY. SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant POLICIES against Fire on Buildings and Goods, at current rates.

RUSSELL & Co.

tf 366 Hongkong, 7th February, 1867.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China for the above INSURANCE COMPANY, are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks at the Current Rates.

RUSSELL & Co.

tf 578 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1867.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Secretaries and Agents of this Association, are prepared to issue Policies upon Marine Risks at current rates of premium. Policies can be made payable in London, New York, Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Hongkong, Foochow and Shanghai.

In addition to the usual brokerage this Association returns to the assured of each year at the close of each current year, fifteen (15) per cent. of the profits of the Company for that year, divided pro rata to the amount of premium paid by each policy-holder.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, November, 1862.

BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant Policies gainst Sea Risks at current rates.

RUSSELL & Co.

tf 1032 Hongkong, 1st April, 1865.

DE COSTERLING SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BATAVIA.

SAMARANG SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAMARANG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, for the above-named Companies, are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks on the usual terms.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

tf 1676 Hongkong, 3rd August, 1866.

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents to the above Companies at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire on Buildings and Goods, at current rates.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

tf 2096 Hongkong, 9th November, 1868.

UNION OF HAMBURG UNDERWRITERS

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents at Amoy for the Union of Hamburg Underwriters.

All documents to substantiate claims, against these Underwriters must be certified by us, or they will not be recognised.

(Signed) ELLIS & Co.

tf 1562 Amoy, 8th August, 1868

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 "	¼ do. do.
Above 3 months, and not exceeding	6 "	¼ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

GILMAN & Co., *Agents,*
North British & Mercantile Insurance Company

tf 836 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses, removed from town and their contents. ½ per cent.

Other dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their contents. ¾ "

Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents. 1 "

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

tf 886 Hongkong, 10th March, 1869.

LONDON AND ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE OFFICE.

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JAMES HARTLEY & Co.—*Managers.*

ESTABLISHED 1843.

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W. MACAULAY, *Agent.*

tf Hongkong, 1st July, 1867.

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